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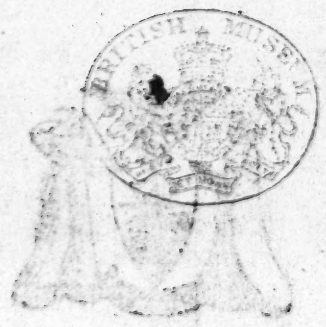

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STATE OF NEW-YORK.

ASSEMBLY CHAMBER IN THE CITY OF ALBANY,

TUESDAY, *January*, 28*th*, 1800.

THIS being the day appointed by law for the meeting of the Legiſlature, the gentlemen whoſe names in the following liſt, are marked with an *aſteriſm*, being a ſufficient quorum to proceed on buſineſs, appeared in the Aſſembly Chamber. The ſaid liſt contains the names of the Repreſentatives in Aſſembly for the current year, as appears by the returns made to the Houſe, except the Repreſentative from the county of Schoharie, from whence no return hath yet been made.

From the City and County of New-York.

* John Oothout,
* Samuel Stillwell,
* William W. Wooliey,
* John Bogert,
* Bernardus Swartwout, jun.
* Anthony Poſt,
* Caleb S. Riggs,
Ebenezer Stevens,
* Selah Strong,
* Anthony Steenback,
* Robert Rutgers,
* Jacob Sherred,
* Nicholas Everſon.

From the City and County of Albany.

* Dirck Ten Broeck,
Prince Doty,
* Johan Joſt Deitz,
* Joſeph Shurtleff,
* Philip Conine, junior,
* Jacob Winne,
* John V. Henry,
Francis Nicoll,
* James Bill.

From the County of Suffolk.

* Silas Wood,
* John Smith,
* Jared Landon,
* Nicoll Floyd.

From the County of Kings.

* Jacob Sharpe, junior.

From the County of Queens.

* Abraham Montfort,
* Iſaac Denton,
* Jonah Hallet,
* John I. Skidmore.

From the County of Richmond.

* John P. Ryers.

From the County of Weſtcheſter.

* Abel Smith,
* Nathan Rockwell,
* George Comb,
* Charles Teed,
* Abijah Gilbert.

From the County of Dutcheſs.

* Ebenezer Mott,
* Iſaac Sherwood,
William Emott,
* William Taber,
* Robert Johnſon,
John Van Benthuyſen,
* Abraham Adriance,
Samuel Towner,
William Barker,
* Joſeph C. Field.

From the County of Ulſter.

* Moſes Cantine,
* Johannes Bruyn,
* John C. De Witt,
Charles W. Broadhead,
* Martin G. Schuneman.

From the County of Orange.

* John Blake, junior,
* Andrew M'Cord,
* Robert R. Burnet,
* Seth Marvin,
James Burt.

From the County of Rockland.

* Samuel G. Verbryck.

From the County of Delaware.

* Sluman Wattles, Patrick Lamb.

From the County of Columbia.

* Charles M'Kinſtry, * Robert T. Livingſton,
* Ezekiel Gilbert, * John Noyes,
Jacob R. Van Renſſelaer, * Anſon Pratt.

From the County of Renſſelaer.

* Daniel Gray, * Joſiah Maſters,
* Jacob A. Fort, * John W. Schermerhorn,
* George Tibbits, * James M'Kown.

From the County of Waſhington.

* Edward Savage, * John Thurman,
* Micajah Pettit, * David Thomas,
* Benjamin Colvin, * Iſaac Sargent.

From the Counties of Clinton and Eſſex.

* William Gilliland.

From the County of Saratoga.

* Adam Comſtock, * James Waren,
* Edward A. Watrous, * Samuel Clark.
* Daniel Bull,

From the County of Montgomery.

* Cornelius Humfrey, * Simon Veeder,
* Frederick Sammons, * Archibald M'Intyre,
* Jacob Snell, * John Herkemer.

From the County of Herkemer.

* John Mills, * John Myer.
* Thomas Manly,

From the County of Otſego.

* Robert Roſeboom, * Jacob Ten Broeck,
* Jedediah Peck, * Renſſelaer Williams.

From the County of Chenango.

* Nathaniel King, * Peter B. Garnſey.

From the County of Tioga.

* Samuel Tinkham.

From the County of Oneida.

* David Oſtrom, * John Hall.
* Nathan Smith,

From the County of Onondaga.

* Ebenezer Butler, junior.

From the County of Cayuga.

* Silas Halſey.

From the Counties of Ontario and Steuben.

Charles Williamſon, * Nathaniel Norton.

Joſiah Ogden Hoffman, Eſquire, one of the commiſſioners appointed by a com miſſion in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem* to admiuiſter oaths, attended in the Aſſem bly Chamber, and the members preſent reſpectively took and ſubſcribed before hi the oath of objuration and allegiance, as by law required, and an oath to ſuppo the conſtitution of the United States.

The Houſe unanimouſly choſe Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, to be their Speake and placed him in the chair accordingly.

Reſolved, That James Van Ingen be, and he is hereby appointed Clerk to th Houſe.

Reſolved, That Ephraim Hunt be, and he is hereby appointed Serjeant at Arm to this Houſe.

Reſolved, That Peter Hanſen be, and he is hereby appointed Door-Keeper to th Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Sharpe and Mr. Ryerſs, wait on his Excellency the Gover or, and inform him that this Houſe is met, and ready to proceed on buſineſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Thomas and Mr. Shurtleff, wait on the Hon. the Senat and inform them that this Houſe is met, and ready to proceed on buſineſs.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, was delivered by Mr. Silveſter and M Bronk, that the Senate were met, and ready to proceed on buſineſs.

Mr. Sharpe reported, That purſuant to the order of the Houſe, Mr. Ryers and himſelf had waited on his Excellency the Governor, and delivered the meſſage from this Houſe, and that his Excellency was pleaſed to ſay that he would ſend a meſſage by his private ſecretary.

Mr. Thomas reported, That purſuant to the order of the Houſe, Mr. Shurtleff and himſelf had waited on the Hon. the Senate, and delivered the meſſage from this Houſe.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, by his private ſecratary, That his Excellency will, without delay, meet this Houſe in their chamber.

His Excellency the Governor, having accordingly met this Houſe in their chamber, and his Excellency and the Hon. the Senate, who had alſo attended, having reſpectively retired, Mr. Speaker reported to the Houſe, That his Excellency had been pleaſed to make a ſpeech to both Houſes of the Legiſlature, and had delivered him a copy thereof; the ſame being read, is in the words following, to wit:

Gentlemen of the Senate and Aſſembly,

YOU will, I am perſuaded, join with me in deeply regretting that the topic which naturally riſes firſt into view on this occaſion, is the afflicting and unexpected death of that virtuous and great man, who both in the field and in the cabinet, in public and in private life, attracted ſuch an uncommon degree of merited eſteem, confidence and admiration. His memory will be cheriſhed by the wiſe and good of every nation; and truth triumphing over her adverſaries, will tranſmit his character to poſterity in all its genuine luſtre. His excellent example and excellent admonitions ſtill remain with us; and happy will that people be, whoſe leaders imitate the one, and obſerve the other. But painful and important as our loſs is, and difficult as it may be to reſtrain the effuſions of our ſenſibility, yet it is to be recollected that the duties and buſineſs for which we are aſſembled, have indiſpenſable claims to attention. Let us therefore proceed to fulfil thoſe duties, and to do that buſineſs with the like laudable fidelity, circumſpection and diligence, by which that real and eminent patriot was ſo greatly diſtinguiſhed.

I take this early opportunity of laying before you a reſolution of the legiſlature of Connecticut, ſignifying a deſire amicably to ſettle the controverſy mentioned in it; and appointing commiſſioners on their part for the purpoſe. This reſolution will doubtleſs be received with reſpect and cordiality. Such is the reſpectable character of Connecticut, and ſo intimate are our mutual relations, that a controverſy ſo ſingular in its origin, ſo irritating in its proſecution, and ſo miſchievous in its tendency and example, cannot, in my opinion, be too ſoon extinguiſhed by amicable and proper ſtipulations with that ſtate. I alſo lay before you, certain reſolutions of the legiſlature of Vermont. They propoſe an amendment to the conſtitution of the United States, which, from the importance of it, as well as from the reſpect due to a ſiſter ſtate, is entitled to mature conſideration.

The conſtitution of this State, having with great wiſdom, committed the legiſlative, executive and judicial powers of government to three diſtinct departments.—I ſubmit to your conſideration, whether the recent practice of annual gratuitous allowances by the legiſlature, to the officers of the executive and judicial departments, can conſiſt with that independence, by which alone the conſtitutional balance between all the departments can be kept even, and their reciprocal checks on each other be preſerved. The ſmall proportion which our important public ſtatutes bears to the numerous private ones paſſed for individual, or for local and particular purpoſes, has become remarkable. Might not the claims of individuals be for the moſt part, heard, examined and aſcertained in ſome mode more eaſy to them, and leſs expenſive to the State, than by the legiſlature; and ought not buſineſs of great and general moment to precede that of leſs and limited importance? It has not unfrequently happened, that the earlier part of the ſeſſion has been ſo far conſumed in debates, and in preparing and paſſing acts reſpecting theſe leſſer matters, that much intereſting public buſineſs has been either too haſtily diſpatched towards the concluſion of the ſeſſion, or been entirely relinquiſhed and left unfiniſhed. The frequency of acts for private incorporations, and the difficulty of afterwards reſ-

training or correcting the evils reſulting to the public from unforeſeen defects in them, lead me to advert to the prudence of paſſing them only under ſuch circumſtances of previous publicity and deliberation, as may be proper to guard againſt the effects of curſory and inaccurate views and impreſſions.

Promiſing theories are not always confirmed by experience, and it is found that new laws, however carefully framed, have ſometimes proved to be leſs ſalutary than was expected, and even to be productive of greater inconveniences than thoſe againſt which they were intended to provide. Of this deſcription is the act for the trial of cauſes to the amount of ten pounds. The evils ariſing from certain defects in it are manifeſt, and are generally ſeen and acknowledged. The ſkilful and beneficial manner in which it has by a late act been modified and adapted to the city of New-York, leaves little room to doubt but that it may likewiſe be ſo amended and modified as to be well accommodated to every other part of the State; and the execution of it rendered more eaſy and agreeable to the magiſtrates. The ſtatute relative to puniſhments being in a courſe of fair experiment, I will only ſuggeſt whether it would not be more expedient that perſons convicted of the impious and dangerous crime of perjury, and of aſſaults with intent to commit felonies of any kind, ſhould receive their puniſhment of impriſonment in the State-Priſon, than in the common goals; from which eſcapes are more eaſily effected, and where the taverns uſually, and in my opinion, unadviſably permitted to be kept, lead to irregularities and corruption of morals. Notwithſtanding the care with which our laws and regulations relative to infectious diſeaſes have been obſerved, yet our principal city has again been diſtreſſed by the return of a very deſtructive one. Whence it ariſes, is a queſtion which ſtill remains involved in much obſcurity; but as either of the two natural cauſes to which it is generally aſcribed, may be the true one; every further mean which human ſagacity can deviſe, ſhould be employed to remove or counteract them. If, however, in this inſtance, as in many others, Providence is accompliſhing the purpoſes of moral government by the inſtrumentality of ſecond cauſes, our future preſervation from their calamitous effects, will depend more on moral than municipal reforms.

As the government moſt to be preferred, is that which procures to the people, the greateſt degree of juſtice, ſecurity, and rational liberty, ſo by ſuch a government no acts or ſymptoms of defiance to lawful authority, are viewed with indifference. Experience ſhews that impunity invites aggreſſion, and that licentiouſneſs always derives encouragement from toleration. Feeling the force of theſe reflections, I think it my duty to preſs your attention to the daring oppoſition which has repeatedly, and with ſingular impunity, been made in the county of Columbia, to the judicial authority of the ſtate; and to the recent indications of it which are detailed in the papers which I ſhall lay before you. The manner in which theſe offences are perpetrated, renders the ordinary means of ſuppreſſing them, in ſeveral reſpects, inadequate. While we rejoice, and with great reaſon, in the general and increaſing proſperity of the ſtate, it is proper to reflect, that, next to the kind Providence of the Almighty, we owe this proſperity to the ſecurity with which induſtry purſues its lawful objects, and enjoys its fruits. It is therefore of the laſt importance, that this ſecurity be preſerved; and that the regular adminiſtration of juſtice which protects it, be not interrupted. Whatever may be the claims or rights of contending individuals, it is their duty to meet each other in the proper courts, and peaceably acquieſce in the juſtice of their country; and it is equally the duty of the government to protect the citizens in the quiet enjoyment of their property and rights, and to enforce obedience and ſubmiſſion to the laws.

Altho' the great and national affairs of war and peace, do not belong to our juriſdiction, yet ſuch is their importance to our immediate welfare, and ſo great would be our danger, if any fallacious proſpects of peace ſhould miſlead us into a ſtate of ill founded ſecurity, that the very judicious and ſeaſonable remarks of our patriotic Preſident on this ſubject, cannot be too generally known, nor too ſtrongly impreſſed. He reminds us, that "*at a period like the preſent, when momentous changes are occurring, and every hour is preparing new and great events in the political world—when a ſpirit of war is prevalent in almoſt every nation, with whoſe affairs the*

"*intereſts of the United States have any connection, unſafe and precarious would be our ſit-*
"*uation, were we to neglect the means of maintaining our juſt rights.*" From the ſame high and reſpectable authority we are given to underſtand, that, under exiſting circumſtances, "*nothing ſhort of the power of repelling aggreſſions, will ſecure to our*
"*country a rational proſpect of eſcaping the calamities of war, or*" (what would be ſtill more calamitous) "*national degradation.*" The meaſures which have been taken purſuant to acts of this ſtate, relative to theſe ſubjects, ſhall be mentioned in a future communication; and it is evident from the preceding obſervations, that our attention to them is not to be relaxed.

Among other objects which will preſent themſelves to you, there is one which I earneſtly recommend to your notice and patronage. I mean our inſtitutions for the education of youth. The importance of common ſchools is beſt eſtimated by the good effects of them where they moſt abound, and are the beſt regulated. The two colleges in this ſtate, have from their extenſive and increaſing utility, ſtrong claims to the care of the Legiſlature; and it appears to me, that they ſhould be enabled uniformly to anſwer the valuable purpoſes for which they were eſtabliſhed. Our anceſtors have tranſmitted to us many excellent inſtitutions, matured by the wiſdom and experience of ages. Let them deſcend to our poſterity, accompanied with others which, by promoting uſeful knowledge, and multiplying the bleſſings of ſocial order, and diffuſing the influence of moral obligations, may be reputable to us and beneficial to them.

Conſcious that the ſentiments which I have now expreſſed, are prompted by the beſt motives, and by an ardent deſire to advance the welfare of our common country; and being perſuaded that your deliberations will be animated by ſimilar views and diſpoſitions, I indulge the pleaſing expectation, that the reſults of this ſeſſion will correſpond with the high truſt and confidence repoſed in us by our conſtituents.

JOHN JAY.

Ordered, That the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, together with the papers accompanying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor be forthwith printed, and that three hundred copies be furniſhed for the uſe of this Houſe, and that the clerk ſuperintend the printing thereof.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor and the papers accompanying the ſame, and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Woolſey, from the ſaid committee, reported, That the committee had agreed to a reſolution, that a reſpectful addreſs be preſented to his Excellency the Governor, in anſwer to his ſpeech, and that a committee be appointed to prepare a draught of ſuch addreſs, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and that he was alſo directed to move for leave to ſit again. Mr. Woolſey read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the ſaid committee have leave to ſit again: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That a reſpectful addreſs be preſented to his Excellency the Governor, in anſwer to his ſpeech, and that Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Henry and Mr. Garnſey be a committee to prepare a draught of ſuch addreſs.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will to-morrow, at twelve of the clock, proceed to nominate and appoint a Council of Appointment.

Mr. Wood made a motion, That the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, which having been read, was *unanimouſly* agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, viz.

This Aſſembly, holding in the higheſt veneration the character and ſervices of the late General George Waſhington, and deeply impreſſed with the loſs which this country has ſuſtained by his death, as a manifeſtation of their ſenſibility on this occaſion,

Unanimouſly Reſolve, That the chair of the Speaker, and the deſk of the Clerk, be ſhrouded with black, and that the members wear black crape upon the left arm during the ſeſſion.

Mr. Wood made a motion, That the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, wit a recital, which being read, was *unanimouſly* agreed to, and is in the words follow ing, to wit:

Whereas the Congreſs of the United States have recommended that the 22d da of February be devoted to purpoſes commemorative of the virtues and talents General George Waſhington,

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That a joint committee of bot Houſes be appointed to conſider and report on the manner in which that day ough to be obſerved on the part of the Legiſlature of this State, and to conſider whethe any, and if any, what further teſtimony of regard may be proper on an event peculiarly intereſting, and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Wood, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Savage, Mr. Williams and Mr. Herkimer be of the ſaid committe on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Bill deliver a copy of the preceding reſo lution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Thomas made a motion, That the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, whic was read, and is in the words following, to wit:

Reſolved, That this Houſe will immediately proceed to elect, by ballot two the clergy of the city to attend, as chaplains to the ſame, during the preſent ſe ſion.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid reſolution, and it was carried in the a firmative.

The ballots being taken and counted, it appeared that the Rev. Eliphalet No and the Rev. John B. Johnſon were duly elected: *Thereupon*,

Reſolved, That the Rev. Eliphalet Nott and the Rev. John B. Johnſon be, a they are hereby appointed chaplains to this Houſe.

Ordered, That the clerk deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to each of t before-mentioned gentlemen.

Mr. Riggs moved for leave to bring in a bill entitled, "An Act to prolong t preſent term of the Supreme Court."

By unanimous conſent, *Ordered*, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Riggs, according to leave, brought in the ſaid bill, which was read the fi time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time and committed a committee of the whole Houſe.

Then the Houſe adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, *eleven o'clock, A. M. January* 29*th*, 1800.

Frederick Sammons, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in t county of Montgomery, Jacob Rutſen Van Renſſelaer, a member of this Hou returned as duly elected in the county of Columbia, William Emott, a member this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the county of Dutcheſs, Benjamin Colv a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the county of Waſhingto Prince Doty, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected for the city a county of Albany, and Storm A. Becker, a member of this Houſe, returned duly elected in the county of Schoharie, ſeverally appeared in the Aſſembly Cha ber, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, Speaker of this Houſe, one of the comm ſioners appointed by a commiſſion in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem* to adminiſ oaths, adminiſtered to them reſpectively the oaths by law preſcribed.

Ordered. That the members ſo qualified, do take their ſeats.

Samuel Towner, a member of this Houſe, elected in the county of Dutche preſented an affidavit, which was read, and is in the words following, to wit:

Albany, to wit. Samuel Towner, of the county of Dutcheſs, being duly ſwo ſaith, that ſome time in the months of May or June laſt paſt, after the canvaſs the votes at the late election, he received a certificate from, and ſigned by Rob H. Livingſton, clerk of the ſaid county of Dutcheſs, purporting that he this ponent was elected a member of the Aſſembly of the State Legiſlature for the ſa county, at the general election, and this deponent further ſaith, that he hath miſtake omitted to bring with him to this place, at this time, the ſame certificate.

SAMUEL TOWNE

Sworn the 29*th January*,
1800, *before me*,
EGBERT BENSON.

The Houſe having duly conſidered the ſaid affidavit: Thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Towner be qualified.

William Barker, a member of this Houſe, elected in the county of Dutcheſs, preſented an affidavit, which was read, and is in the words following, to wit:

Albany, to wit. William Barker, of the county of Dutcheſs, being duly ſworn, ſaith, that ſome time in the month of May laſt, he received a certificate from, and ſigned by Robert H. Livingſton, clerk of Dutcheſs, purporting that he this deponent was elected a member of the Aſſembly of the State Legiſlature for the ſame county, at the general election; and this deponent further ſaith, that he hath by miſtake omitted to bring with him to this place, at this time, the ſame certificate.

WILLIAM BARKER.

Sworn 29th January, 1800,
before me,
MORGAN LEWIS.

The Houſe having duly conſidered the ſaid affidavit: Thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Barker be qualified.

John Van Benthuyſen, a member of this Houſe, elected in the county of Dutcheſs, preſented an affidavit, which was read, and is the words following, to wit:

Albany, ff. Jacob Van Neſs, of Dutcheſs county, being duly ſworn, ſaith, that ſoon after the election and canvaſs for members of Aſſembly for the State Legiſlature laſt ſpring, he was then living in the houſe of John Van Benthuyſen, Eſquire, and on his coming into the houſe one day, he ſaw a letter lying on the mantle piece directed to the ſaid John Van Benthuyſen, and it having been opened, he took it up and found it was a certificate from Robert H. Livingſton, clerk of the county of Dutcheſs, certifying that the ſaid John Van Benthuyſen was duly elected one of the members of the Aſſembly for the county of Dutcheſs; but what afterwards became of the ſaid certificate this deponent cannot ſay.

JACOB VAN NESS.

Sworn the 28th day of January, 1800,
before me, EGBERT BENSON.

The Houſe having duly conſidered the ſaid affidavit: Thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Van Benthuyſen be qualified.

The Hon. Speaker then adminiſtered to Mr. Towner, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Van Benthuyſen, reſpectively the oaths by law preſcribed.

Ordered, That the ſaid members ſo qualified, do take their ſeats.

Ordered, That Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Noyes and Mr. Mott, be a committee of ways and means.

Ordered, That Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. M'Cord, Mr. Stillwell, Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. Tibbits be a committee for courts of juſtice; that all members who attend have voices, that they have power to ſend for perſons, papers and records; and that they from time to time report their proceedings with their opinions thereon to the Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Gray, Mr. Morton, Mr. Livingſton and Mr. Rockwell be a committee for grievances; that all members who attend have voices, that they have power to ſend for perſons and papers; and that they from time to time report their proceedings with their opinions thereon to the Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs, Mr. Wood, Mr. Winne, Mr. Savage and Mr. Van Renſſelaer be a committe of privileges and elections; that all members who attend have voices, that they have power to ſend for perſons, papers and records; and that they from time to time report their proceedings with their opinions thereon to the Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Maſters, Mr. King, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Pratt be a committee to inſpect what laws have expired, or are near expiring; and that they from time to time report to the Houſe which of them they judge neceſſary to be received or continued, and likewiſe what new laws they ſhall conceive neceſſary to be made for the benefit of the State.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act to prolong the preſent term of the Supreme Court," and after ſome time ſpent thereon Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. M'Intyre from the ſaid committee, reported that the committee had gone through the ſaid bill, altered the title to read "An act to prolong the preſent January term of the Supreme Court," and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the bill in at the table where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A communication from the Comptroller to his Honor the Speaker was read, and is in the words following, viz.

COMPTROLLER's OFFICE,
Albany, 16th January, 1800.

SIR,

Incloſed herewith, is a report reſpecting the matters mentioned in the laſt ſection of the act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences, paſſed the third day of April laſt.

I have the honor to be,
With great reſpect,
Your obedient Servant,
SAMUEL JONES.

The Honorable Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly of the State of New-York.

The report mentioned in the ſaid communication was alſo read, the ſame is in the words and figures following, viz.

IN purſuance of the laſt ſection of the "act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences," paſſed the third day of April laſt, the Comptroller made application to the Secretary of the Treaſury of the United States reſpecting the matters therein mentioned, and received ſeveral communications from him upon the ſubject; copies of which, as well as of the letters written to him by the Comptroller, are annexed. From theſe documents it will appear that the debt of this ſtate aſſumed by the United States amounts to 1,183,716 dollars and 69 cents, the ſpecie value of which on the 7th day of Auguſt laſt, on the principles contained in the act of Congreſs of the 15th of February preceding, was 768,320 dollars and 14 cents.

The expences incurred by the fortifications in this ſtate for the defence of the United States cannot be accurately aſcertained, as they are in ſome inſtances blended with other charges on different accounts, and in other inſtances the proper vouchers have not been produced: but the following ſtatements will ſhew the probable amount.

In the year 1786, John Stagg received 13l. 7s. for repairs to the battery; and in 1788, Sebaſtian Bauman received 125l. 17s. 5d. for putting in order ſeveral pieces of artillery; and in 1794, Ebenezer Stevens received 498l. 3s. 9d. for repairing the ordnance and appurtenances belonging to the ſtate, and furniſhing the ſame with the requiſite implements. By an act paſſed the 26th of March 1794, entitled, "An act authoriſing the erecting of fortifications within this ſtate," commiſſioners were appointed with full power to repair and erect ſuch fortifications in the city of New-York, or its vicinity, as they ſhould deem requiſite and eſſential for the ſecurity of the ſaid city and its port; and the ſum of thirty thouſand pounds was appropriated for that purpoſe. The ſame commiſſioners were alſo authorized to purchaſe or procure cannon and ammunition for the defence of the port and harbour of New-York; for which purpoſe the further ſum of ten thouſand pounds was appropriated. By the ſame act other commiſſioners were appointed for the purpoſe of erecting fortifications for the ſecurity of the weſtern and northern frontiers of this ſtate; and the further ſum of twelve thouſand pounds was appropriated for that purpoſe. Further ſums were afterwards appropriated for continuing and ſecuring the fortifications on Governor's Iſland, Bedlow's Iſland, and Oyſter Iſland. Theſe ſums, as well as the thirty thouſand pounds at firſt appropriated, were received by the commiſſioners appointed to repair and erect fortifications in the city of New-York, or its vicinity, who have accounted for the ſame, and their accounts reſpecting fortifications have been liquidated and ſettled; by which it appears that their expenditures amount to 136,533 dollars and 82 cents. They have alſo received the ſum of ten thouſand pounds appropriated for purchaſing cannon and ammunition; and it appears from the accounts produced that the whole ſum has been expended in procuring cannon; but ſome of the vouchers for the expenditure have not been produced, and therefore that account remains unſettled. The commiſſioners appointed to erect fortifications on the northern and weſtern frontiers, received four thouſand pounds of the money appropriated for that purpoſe; two thouſand two hundred pounds of which they have returned to the treaſury. The remaining ſum of 1800l. as appears by the accounts they have produced has been expended in erecting block houſes and tranſporting arms, and the neceſſary expences attending the buſineſs; but not having produced all the neceſſary vouchers of the expenditure, the accounts remain unſettled.

The expences for fortifications and defence in the city of New-York in 1798, according to the accounts exhibited by the agent of the corporation, after correction of ſome errors that appear in it, amount to 76,172 dollars and 98 cents, including 597 dollars and 86 cents, for his commiſſion, and 3804 dollars and 98 cents, for intereſt on the money borrowed for the purpoſe, calculated to the firſt of October laſt; 63,804 dollars and 98 cents of this ſum being the amount of the money borrowed by the corporation to defray thoſe expences, with intereſt to the firſt day of October laſt, has been paid to them by the ſtate out of the loan negociated by his Excellency the Governor, with the bank of New-York, in conſequence of the act for the further defence of this ſtate, and for other purpoſes, paſſed the 27th day of Auguſt, 1798. But the remaining part of the accounts are ſtill unſettled, and unpaid; no proviſion having been made reſpecting them. Several of the charges in ſome of the unpaid accounts are not comprehended in any of the proviſions in the firſt or ſecond ſections of the ſaid act

for the further defence of the ſtate; and others of the unpaid accounts, as well a many of thoſe that have been paid, are for articles or ſervices which cannot be con dered as expences incurred by fortifications. They conſiſt of charges for the follow ing purpoſes.

	DOLLARS CTS
For Fortifications,	32,326.38
mounting and equipping cannon,	13,048.58
Expences relating to Field Artillery,	1,382.11
Ball, wads and cartridges	15,226.37
Arſenals, Magazine, and Guard-Houſes,	7,213.58
other Articles and Services,	2,573.12
Commiſſion of the Agent of the corporation,	597. 6
Intereſt to the Bank of New-York,	3,804.98
	76,172.98
The ſum paid by the Corporation	63,804.98
Balance remaining,	12,368.00

The ſum of 500 dollars was paid to Matthew Clarkſon, eſquire, in 1798, out of the Loan negociated by the Governor, towards the expence of fortifying the port of New-York, but it remains in his hands unexpended.

The following charges may therefore be conſidered as the expences incurred by the Fortifications in this ſtate for the defence of the United States.

	DOLLARS CTS
For Repairs to the Battery in New-York in 1786,	33.37,5
Repairs to the Artillery in 1788,	314.67,5
the like in 1794,	1,245.47
Fortifications in New-York in 1794, 1795, and 1796,	136,533.82
the like in 1798,	32,326.38
Fortifications on Northern and Weſtern Frontiers,	4,500.00
mounting and equipping Cannon in 1798,	13,048.58
Purchaſing Cannon,	25,000.00
	213,002.30

The Sum above ſtated, as the amount of the expences of mounting and equipping cannon in 1798, may not be accurate, as the charges in ſome of the accounts are ſo blended with thoſe relating to Field Artillery, that the one may in ſome inſtances have been miſtaken for the other. The like difficulty has occurred with reſpect to ſeveral other of the accounts in that year. But ſuch miſtakes will make no difference in the aggregate amount of the charges againſt the ſtate.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,

SAMUEL JONES, Comptroller.

Albany, 16 January, 1800.

Comptroller's Office, Albany, 31 July, 1799.

SIR,

You will perceive by the incloſed copy of a clauſe in a law of this ſtate, paſſed at the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, that the Comptroller is directed to liquidate with the Secretary of the Treaſury of the United States, the ſpecie value of the funded debt of the United States aſſumed by the ſaid ſtates of the debt of this ſtate on the principles contained in the act of Congreſs, paſſed the fifteenth day of February laſt, relative to the balances reported by the commiſſioners for ſettling the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral ſtates. As it is neceſſary for me to know your opinion upon this ſubject, I take the liberty of requeſting you to inform me what you ſuppoſe to be the ſpecie value of this debt, and how you eſtimate it.

I have not found in my office, nor in the treaſury of this ſtate, any account of the amount ſubſcribed to the loan of the United States in the debts of this ſtate; and therefore I muſt beg the favour of you to direct the proper officer to ſend me an account of the amount, diſtinguiſhing, if it can be conveniently done, the amount of

each kind of certificates or notes in which the payments were made; but if such discrimination cannot be made without much trouble or difficulty, it may be omitted.

I have the honour to be, with great respect and esteem,

Your humble servant,

SAMUEL JONES.

OLIVER WOLCOTT, Esquire.

Treasury Department, August 7th, 1799.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated July 31st, and have given directions for preparing the statement you request, which shall be transmitted as soon as it can be completed.

The sums of six per cent. three per cent. and deferred stock in the market are very inconsiderable—the lowest prices at which purchases of small sums can be made, at Philadelphia, are, for six per cent stock, fifteen shillings and three pence; for three per cent stock, nine shillings; and for deferred stock, fourteen shillings and five pence for the pound.

I take the liberty to suggest for your consideration, whether the expenditures of the state of New-York, in specie, ought not to be ascertained, and the credit to which the state is entitled, determined by the average prices of stock during each quarter in which such expenditures were made.

I have the honour to be, with perfect respect, sir,

Your mo. obedt. servt.

SAMUEL JONES, Esquire, Comptroller of the Treasury of the State of New-York.

OLIV. WOLCOTT.

SIR, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, August 13, 1799.

I HAVE the honor to enclose an account exhibiting the amount of certificates of the state of New-York, which were received on loan by the United States, pursuant to the act of Congress of the 4th of August, 1790, entitled "An act making provision for the debt of the United States."

I have the honor to be, respectfully, sir,

Your mo. obedt. servt.

SAMUEL JONES, Esquire, Comptroller of the State of New-York.

OLIV. WOLCOTT.

Abstract of the sums subscribed and funded pursuant to the act of Congress, passed on the 4th of August, 1790, entitled "An act making provision for the debt of the United States," in certificates issued by the state of New-York.

			Dollars.	Cents.
Amount assumed for the state of New-York by the act aforesaid			1,200,000	
Amount subscribed in the following certificates including the interest thereon, computed from the several dates to the 1st Jan. 1792, viz.				
Certificates signed by Gerard Bancker	-	£.433,348 2 7½		
allowing for fractional parts	-	makes	1,083,368	99
Ditto by Peter Curtenius	- -	£. 7,250 7 6		
allowing ditto	- - -	makes	18,125	55
Ditto by Joseph Gasherie and others		£. 32,889 3 7½		
allowing ditto	- - -	makes	82,222	15
Total amount subscribed and funded			1,183,716	69
amount unsubscribed	-		16,283	31
			1,200,000	

For the sum funded as above mentioned, the following stock was issued, viz.

Six per Cent Stock	526,095 54	
Three per Cent do.	394,570 93	
Deferred do.	263,050 22	
		1,183,716 69

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, 9th August, 1799.
JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

Comptroller's Office, Albany, 28th August, 1799.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 7th and 13th inſtant, with the ſtatement I requeſted reſpecting the debt of this ſtate aſſumed by the United States.

According to the prices mentioned in your letter of the 7th inſtant, the ſpecie value of the ſtock of the United States iſſued for the debt of this ſtate, aſſumed by them, is ſeven hundred and ſixty-eight thouſand three hundred and twenty dollars and fourteen cents. This ſum I conſider as the ſpecie value of the funded debt of the United States aſſumed by the ſaid ſtates of the debt of this ſtate, on the principles contained in the act of Congreſs of the 15th of February laſt, relative to the balances reported againſt certain ſtates. The act of Congreſs aſſuming certain ſums of the debts of each ſtate provides, that if the whole ſum allowed to be ſubſcribed in the certificates or debt of any ſtate ſhould not be ſubſcribed, ſuch ſtate ſhall receive from the United States a certain intereſt upon the deficiency. The creditors of this ſtate did not ſubſcribe the whole ſum allowed for this ſtate: But I do not find that the ſtate has received any intereſt upon the ſum not ſubſcribed.

The Legiſlature of this ſtate at the laſt ſeſſion, directed the Comptroller to collect and liquidate the expences incurred by the fortifications in this ſtate, for the defence of the United States; but gave no direction to aſcertain the prices of ſtock at the time the expenditures were made; ſuppoſing, as I apprehend, that the amount of the expenditures in ſpecie is to be deducted from the preſent ſpecie value of the debt aſſumed for this ſtate. I am uncertain what difference the mode you ſuggeſt will make, not knowing the price of ſtock at any of the periods of the expenditure. But not ſuppoſing myſelf authorized to agree to it, if it is inſiſted upon, I muſt apply to the Legiſlature for further direction.

As the late act of Congreſs reſpecting balances reported againſt certain ſtates requires that the expenditure in fortifying any place for which the ſtate is to have credit, ſhall be aſcertained and proved to the ſatisfaction of the Secretary of the Treaſury, I incloſe an account of the expenditure by this ſtate in fortifying the iſlands in the harbor of New-York, amounting to one hundred and thirty-ſix thouſand five hundred and thirty three dollars and eighty-two cents, according to the accounts of the commiſſioners appointed for the purpoſe, as ſettled by the Comptroller in behalf of this ſtate; and wiſh to be informed whether any other evidence is requiſite, and what proof will be ſatisfactory. It may be proper to obſerve that this ſum does not include any charge for the voluntary labor of the inhabitants of the city of New-York upon the fortifications on Governor's Iſland, which was very conſiderable---It is alſo excluſive of the expenditure in the courſe of the laſt year in fortifying the city of New-York, and excluſive of the monies appropriated and expended in and ſince the year 1794 for procuring and equipping cannon; for purchaſing field artillery, arms and accoutrements for the uſe of the militia; for building arſenals and for erecting fortifications for the defence of the northern and weſtern frontiers of this ſtate; the accounts of which are yet unſettled, but they will amount to more than one hundred and ninety thouſand dollars.

I have the honor to be, with great reſpect and eſteem,

Your humble ſervant,

SAMUEL JONES.

OLIVER WOLCOTT, Eſquire.

Account of monies appropriated and expended by the ſtate of New-York, for the purpoſe of fortifying the port and harbour of New-York.

			£	$ DOLLARS. CTS.
1794. March 26,	appropriated by an act paſſed this day,		£30,000	equal to 75,000.00
1795. April 6,	do.	do.	20,000	do. 50,000.00
1796. April 11,	do.	do.	5,000	do. 12,500.00
			55,000	DOLLS. 137,500.00

	EXPENDITURES.	Dolls.	Cts.
1794. December 31.	By account of Ebenezer Stevens, one of the commiſſioners, commencing the 14th April laſt, and ending this day, -	74,711.65	
1795. June 6.	By do. of DeWitt Clinton, agent of the commiſſioners, commencing the 16th April laſt, and ending this day, -	2,290.05	
September 30.	By do. of Robert Newſon, agent of the commiſſioners, commencing the 13th May laſt, and ending this day, - -	26,840.00	
1797. December 28.	By do. of Nicholas Fiſh, one of the commiſſioners, commencing the 12th Sept. 1795, and ending this day, - -	32,692.12	
		136,533.82	
	Repaid into the treaſury, -	965.77	
	Remaining in the hands of the agents,	0.41	966.18
		DOLLS	137,500.00

State of New-York, Comptroller's Office, 28 Auguſt, 1799.

SAMUEL JONES, Comptroller.

Treaſury Department, Trenton, September 11, 1799.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge your favor of Auguſt 28, with the ſtatement therein mentioned.

The ſum aſſumed by the United States in the debt of the ſtate of New-York, is one million, one hundred and eighty three thouſand, ſeven hundred and ſixteen dollars and ſixty nine cents.—As I underſtand, the act of Congreſs, of the 15th of February, 1799, the ſtate of New-York may claim a diſcharge from the balance reported by the commiſſioners to be due to the United States, on payment into the treaſury, of a ſum in money equal to the market value of the ſum above mentioned conſidered as ſtock of the United States, or by the expenditure of an equivalent ſum on fortifications, or by a transfer of the amount of the different kinds of ſtock iſſued by the United States equal to the ſum aſſumed.

I conſider your official ſtatement and letter as ſufficient evidence that the ſtate of New-York, has expended in fortifying the iſlands in the harbor of New-York, the ſum of one hundred and thirty-ſix thouſand five hundred and thirty-three dollars and eighty-two cents in ſpecie; and as you prefer taking credit at the prices of ſtock mentioned in my letter of Auguſt 7, to a credit, according to the value of ſtock at the dates of expenditure, I have no difficulty in agreeing to your propoſal. This credit according to my calculation will be as follows:

One third of drs. 136,533.82 is drs. 45,511.27, which, calculated in three per cent ſtock at 9s. on the pound, will produce	101,136.16
One third of the remaining two thirds, drs. 91,022.54, is drs. 30,340.84, which, calculated in deferred ſtock, at 14s. 5d. the pound, is	42,091.35
The remainder is drs. 60,681.71, which, calculated in 6 pr. cent ſtock at 15s. 3d. on the pound - - -	79,582.55
Value of drs. 136,533.82, in ſtock, - - - -	222,810. 6

If I am right, and you agree to my propoſal, meaſures will be taken for paſſing a credit to the ſtate of New-York, of the ſum above mentioned, of which a certificate will be tranſmitted.

Unleſs it ſhall be propoſed on the part of the ſtate of New-York, to enter into ſp
cific engagement to reimburſe, within a limited time, the whole ſum claimed by t
United States, I cannot perceive the neceſſity of diſcuſſing the terms upon which
ture credits ſhall be paſſed—I am however willing that it ſhall be underſtood, that t
credits ſhall be regulated according to the mean prices of ſtock in each quarter duri
which expenditures or payments ſhall be made. If any other rule appears to you
be more equitable, it ſhall be conſidered with attention.

It is true that no payment was made upon the ſum of dollars 16,283.31 bei
the difference between the ſum aſſumed by the act of Congreſs of the 4th of Augu
1790, and the amount ſubſcribed by individuals, nor do I find that any claim has be
ever made on the part of the ſtate. The omiſſion has not, however, operated to t
prejudice of the ſtate, as all ſuch payments would have been charged againſt the ſta
in the final ſettlement by the board of commiſſioners.

I have the honor to be, very reſpectfully, ſir,
Your obedt. ſervant,
OLIV. WOLCOTT.

SAMUEL JONES, Eſq. Albany.

Comptroller's Office, Albany, 8th October, 1799.

SIR,

have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 11th of Septe
ber laſt, which ſhould have been anſwered much ſooner had not various circumſtanc
prevented it.

I conſider your propoſals as fair and juſt; but not conceiving myſelf authorized
make any final arrangement upon the ſubject, I ſhall report the matter to the Legiſlatu
for their deciſion and direction.

I have the honour to be, with great reſpect and eſteem,
Your humble ſervant,
SAMUEL JONES.

OLIVER WOLCOTT, Eſquire.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be committed to a committee of the whole Houſ
Ordered, That three hundred copies of the ſaid report be forthwith printed for th
uſe of the Houſe.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Beeckman an
Mr. Bloom was read, that the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſolutio
as entered on the journals of yeſterday, relative to appointing a joint committee o
both Houſes to conſider and report on the manner in which the 22d day of Febru
ry, which is recommended by Congreſs to be devoted to purpoſes commemorativ
of the virtues and talents of the late General George Waſhington, ought to be ob
ſerved on the part of the Legiſlature of this State, and that Mr. L'Hommedieu, M
J. Morris and Mr. Bloom be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate.

The order of the day being read, the Houſe proceeded openly to nominate an
appoint a council of appointment, and each member preſent nominated four Sena
tors in the manner following, viz.

	De Witt Clinton, S.	Ambroſe Spencer, M.	Leonard Ganſevoort, E.	T. R Gold, W.	Samuel Haight, S.	Robert Sands, M.	James Gordon, E.	Vincent Matthews, W.	M. Phelps.
Mr. Adriance,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Barker,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Becker,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Bill,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Blake,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Bogert,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Bruyn,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Bull,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Burnet,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Butler,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Cantine,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Clark,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Colvin,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Comb,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Comſtock,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Conine,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Denton,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. De Witt,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Deitz,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. Doty,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Emott,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. Everſon,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Field,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Floyd,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Fore,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Garnſey,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. E. Gilbert,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Gilliland,		1			1	1	1	1	
Mr. Gray,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Hall,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Hallett,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Halſey,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Henry,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Herkemer,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Humfrey,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Johnſon,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. King,					1	1	1		1
Mr. Landon,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Livingſton,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Manley,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. Marvin,	1	1	1					1	
Mr. Maſters,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. M'Cord,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. M'Intyre,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. M'Kinſtry,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. M'Kown,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Myer,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Mills,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. Montford,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Mott,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Norton,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Noyes,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Oothout,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Oſtrom,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Peck.					1	1	1	1	

	De Witt Clinton.	Ambroſe Spencer.	Leonard Ganſevoort.	Thomas R. Gold.	Samuel Haight.	Robert Sands.	James Gordon.	Vincent Matthews.	John Schenck.
Mr. Pettit,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Poſt,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Pratt,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Riggs,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Rockwell,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Roſeboom,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Rutgers,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Ryerſs,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Sammons,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Sargent,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Savage,	1	1					1	1	
Mr. Schuneman,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Schermerhorn,				1	1	1	1		
Mr. Sharpe,	1		1	1		1			
Mr. Sherred,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Sherwood,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Shurtleff,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Skidmore,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. A. Smith,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. J. Smith,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. N. Smith,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Snell,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Steenback,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Stillwell,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Strong,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Swartwout,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Tabor,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Teed,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Ten Broeck,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Thomas,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Thurman,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Tibbits,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Tinkham,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Towner,			1	1	1	1			
Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Van Renſselaer,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Veeder,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Van Verbruyck,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Warin,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Watrous,	1	1	1	1					
Mr. Wattles,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Williams,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Winne,					1	1	1	1	
Mr. Wood,			1			1	1		1
Mr. Wolſey,					1	1	1	1	
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R. Sands,	56
J. Gordon,	56
Haight,	55
Gold,	51
Matthews,	49
Clinton,	45
Spencer,	45
Everſon,	45
Phelps,	1
Warrin.	

It appearing from the foregoing nomination that Samuel Haight, Robert Sands, James Gordon and Thomas R. Gold, were duly nominated; Thereupon,

Reſolved, That Samuel Haight, one of the Senators from the Southern Diſtrict, Robert Sands, one of the Senators from the Middle Diſtrict, James Gordon, one of the Senators from the Eaſtern Diſtrict, and Thomas R. Gold, one of the Senators from the Weſtern Diſtrict, be and they are hereby nominated and appointed according to the form and effect of the article of the conſtitution in ſuch caſe made & provided, a Council for the appointment of all officers within this State, other than thoſe who, by the conſtitution, are directed to be otherwiſe choſen or appointed.

Ordered, That a copy of the ſaid reſolution, ſubſcribed by the Speaker, be deli ered to his Excellency the Governor.

A communication from the Comptroller to his Honor the Speaker, was read a is in the words following, viz.

Comptroller's Office, Albany, 22d January, 1800.

SIR,

Purſuant to the act for appointing a Comptroller in this State, I have made ſtatement of the funds of this State, and of the annual revenue thereof; and of t amount of the ſalaries of the officers of government, and other contingent expence and other appropriations paid in the preceding year, a copy of which is herewi encloſed. I have the honor to be,

With great reſpect,

Your obedient Servant,

SAMUEL JONES.

The Hon. the Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly of the State of New-York.

The ſaid ſtatement was read and is in the words and figures following, to wit.

STATE OF NEW-YORK, }
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER. }

Statement of the Funds of this State, and of the annual Revenue thereof; and of the amo of the Salaries of the Officers of Government, and the contingent Expences and other a propriations paid in the preceding Year.

THE Funds of the State conſiſt of a debt of 1,366,150 dollars, and 21 cen due from the Preſident, Directors, and Company of the Bank of New-Yor 772,277 dollars and 40 cents in the funded debt of the United States, bearing intereſt of three per cent per annum; 152 ſhares in the ſtock of the Bank of the Un ted States; 100 ſhares in the ſtock of the Bank of New-York; 50 ſhares in the ſto of the Bank of Albany; 500,000 dollars loaned in 1792, to the ſeveral countie 99,250 dollars loaned to ſundry individuals in conformity to particular law 38,043 dollars on mortgages of lands in Brothertown; 363,189 dollars and 21 cen on mortgages of lands ſold in the year 1796; 286,016 dollars and 55 cents mortgages of lands in the Oneida Reſervation, ſold in and ſince the year 179 1,824 dollars and 50 cents on mortgages of lands in Saratoga county; duties the ſales of goods at vendue; fees received and accounted for by the ſecretary a ſurveyor-general; rent of the government-houſe in the city of New-York; q rents reſerved on grants made by the former government; the money remaini due on the loan of 1786; rents of ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga; 2 ſhares in the ſtock of each of the inland navigation companies; and unapprop ated lands belonging to the ſtate.

Theſe Funds produce at preſent the following annual Revenue:

	Dolls.	
The debt of the bank of New-York,		33,987.
Three per cent ſtock,		23,168.
Shares in the bank of the United States,		4,864.
Shares in the bank of New-York,		4,500.
Shares in the bank of Albany,		1,800.
Shares in the weſtern inland navigation company,		1,350.
Loan of 1792, excluſive of the ſalaries of the loan officers,		27,400.
Loans to individuals,		5,805.
Mortgages on lands in Brothertown,		2,282.
Mortgages on lands ſold in 1796,		21,791.
Mortgages on lands in the Oneida Reſervation,		17,160.
Mortgages on lands in Saratoga county,		109.
Duties on ſales at vendue,		32,024.
Fees received and accounted for by the ſecretary & ſurveyor-general,		568.
Rent of the government-houſe in the city of New-York,		1,750.
Arrears of quit rent received ſince the 8th January 1799,		15,532.
		194,094.

The produce of the ſhares in the banks, and the weſtern inland navigation company, and the amount of the duties on ſales at vendue, and of the fees received and accounted for by the ſecretary and ſurveyor-general, as well as the quit rents, are ſtated according to the receipts of the laſt year excluſive of fractions. And the produce of the loans, three per cent ſtock, and mortgages, is eſtimated according to the amount of the annual intereſt. The ſum ſtated as the amount of the duties on ſales at auction, is excluſive of the additional duty, which is appropriated towards the ſupport of foreign poor in the city of New-York. Theſe ſeveral ſums making in the whole, 194,094 dollars & 48 cents might be conſidered as the preſent annual amountof the revenue of the ſtate, if the intereſt on the mortgages was duly paid, but as it is apprehended that ſome of the mortgagors are not at preſent able to pay the intereſt on their mortgages, a deduction muſt be made on that account of probably one third of the annual intereſt; ſo that the preſent annual amount of the revenue cannot be eſtimated at more than 180,000 dollars. It may be proper to mention, that owing to the indulgence given by the Legiſlature in their laſt ſeſſion, the payments of intereſt in the laſt year on theſe mortgages, have been much leſs than they were in the preceding year: Many of the mortgagors having availed themſelves of that indulgence, who would otherwiſe have paid the whole ſum due for intereſt on their mortgages; and ſome of them who had before made conſiderable payments having neglected to make any in the laſt year. This deficiency would have made it impoſſible to diſcharge the immediate demands on the treaſury, had it not been for the aid afforded by payments for arrears and commutation of quit rents, which have conſiderable exceeded the ſum at which they were eſtimated.

The amount of the three per cent ſtock, has been encreaſed in the courſe of the laſt year by payments in ſtock, for quit rents and commutation for quit rents.

The difference between the ſum above ſtated, as the amount of Mortgages on lands in the Oneida reſervation and the ſum mentioned in the former ſtatement ariſes from adding the amount of thoſe taken on the laſt ſales made by the ſurveyor-general and deducting the amount of the credit directed to be given to Peter Smith. The amount of the mortgages on lands in Saratoga county is alſo encreaſed by a mortgage taken the 21ſt of Auguſt laſt.

The annual amount of the quit rents, or the ſum due for the arrears cannot yet be preciſely aſcertained, owing to the difficulty formerly ſtated reſpecting the ſales by the commiſſioners of forfeitures, and the want of information, as to what part of certain tracts are now in the ſtate of Vermont. But the arrears are ſtill large; and the probability is that with proper attention to the collection, the produce for ſome years to come, will be nearly equal to the receipts of the laſt year. The proprietors and claimants of ſeveral tracts of land, upon which conſiderable ſums are due for arrears, have neglected to pay them on account of doubts and difficulties reſpecting their titles; and for the purpoſe of removing them, mean to ſuffer the land to be ſold for the quit rent. The proceedings for this purpoſe, are in ſeveral caſes in ſuch forwardneſs that the ſales may be completed in the courſe of the preſent year.

In the ſtatement of the laſt year, it was mentioned that many perſons claimed the benefit of the "act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent," but that not a ſingle perſon had produced the proof neceſſary to entitle him to it. They continued ſo inattentive, that on the 14th of October laſt, only ten perſons had availed themſelves of the benefit of that act; but from that day to the firſt day of November following, incluſive, when the time limited by the act expired, proofs for the purpoſe were exhibited and remiſſions obtained by, or in behalf of, upwards of eight hundred perſons upon ſundry parcels of land containing together near ſeventy thouſand acres. The payments for commutation where the arrears were remitted, amount to 4,536 dollars and 61¾ cents. There is reaſon to believe, that many perſons were prevented by accident or inability from taking the benefit of that act. Whether it is proper to prolong the time for ſome ſhort period, under ſuch regulations and reſtrictions as may be neceſſary to prevent any perſon from taking advantage of it who was not an object of the former proviſion, and not

obſtruct any proceeding already commenced for the collection of quit-rents, muſt be ſubmitted to the wiſdom of the Legiſlature.

The ſum of 301 dollars and 61¼ cents for rent of the Salt-Springs at Onondaga, has been received and accounted for by the Superintendant of the ſalt-works. By the laſt regulation, the rent is to be received in ſalt by the Superintendant, who is to ſell it and account for the proceeds. No account has yet been rendered; but it is doubtful whether the produce will exceed the charges, and the ſalary of the Superintendant.

No income has yet ariſen from the ſhares in the Northern Inland Navigation Company; nor has any ſales of the new lands been made in the laſt year, except ſome lots at the ſalt-works in Onondaga, of which no account has yet been rendered.

The money received on the loan of 1786, is not included in the above eſtimate; becauſe being charged with the redemption of the bills of credit emitted in 1788, of which forty-three thouſand ſix hundred and eighty-eight pounds and ten ſhillings, equal to one hundred and nine thouſand two hundred and twenty-one dollars and twenty-five cents remain in circulation, if it is applied to other purpoſes, thoſe bills muſt ultimately be redeemed out of the ordinary Revenue of the State, or by a tax.

In the courſe of the laſt year, that is from the 8th of January, 1799, to the 9th of January, 1800, the following ſums have been received into the treaſury:

For intereſt of the debt of the bank of New-York,		33,987.82
Of three per cent. ſtock,		23,133.88
Of loan of 1792,		25,467.48
Of loans to individuals,		1,950.00
On mortgages of lands in Brothertown,		2,077.90
On mortgages of lands ſold in 1796,		875.29.5
On mortgages of lands in the Oneida Reſervation,		2,647.57
On mortgages of lands in Saratoga county,		63.08
Two dividends on ſhares in the bank of the United States,		4,864.00
Two dividends on ſhares in the bank of New-York,		4,500.00
Two dividends on ſhares in the bank of Albany,		1,800.00
One dividend on ſhares in the Weſtern Navigation Company,		1,350.00
Duties on goods ſold at vendue, including the additional duty,		47,907.95.9
Arrears of quit-rent,	15,532.38	
Commutation for quit rents,	5,087.63	20,620.01
Rent of the government houſe in New-York,		1,625.00
Fees received & accounted for by the Secretary & Surveyor-General,		568.19.25
Fees received by the Comptroller as commiſſioner of the land office,		68.34
New lands purchaſed by Whitaker and Dean,		600.00
By Iſrael Spencer and others,		1,200.00
From Surveyor-General balance of his account, audited 23d May, 1798,		2,651.00
James Gordon, principal of his mortgage on land in Saratoga,		100.00
Commiſſioners appointed in 1794, to fortify New-York, balance,		308.29
The Superintendant of the ſalt-works, on account of lots ſold by him,		80.00
Managers of the Lottery,		500,00
For intereſt and part principal of the loan of 1786,		13,082.90
		192,028.71,65.

During the ſame period, that is from the 8th of January, 1799, to the 9th of January, 1800, the following ſums have been paid or warrants iſſued for the payment of them:

For permanent ſalaries of Officers of Government.			
To the Governor,		3,750.00	
Chancellor,		2,000.00	
Judges of the Supreme Court,		9,461.89.5	
Attorney-General,		2,000.00	
Treaſurer,		1,500.00	
Secretary,	1,500.00		
For expences of his office,	1,252.87.75	2,752.87.75	
Private Secretary of the Governor,		312.50	
Keeper of the State Priſon and Aſſiſtants,		3,345.62	25,122.89,25
For expences of the Legiſlature.			
Wages of the members,		34,416.25	
Allowance to the Officers and Clergy attending the Legiſlature.		2,114.75	
Contingent expences charged by the clerks,		1,027.60	37,558.60
For other Permanent Expences.			
Annuities to Indians,		11,913.40	
Allowance to Profeſſor of Anatomy in Columbia College,		500.00	12,413.40
For Permanent Expences which are contingent as to their amount.			
To the Governor for contingencies,		200.00	
State Printer,		833.62,5	
Clerks of Counties for return of votes,		854.00	
for notifying officers,		183.83,5	
Sheriffs for balances of their accounts,		540.81	
Council of Appointment,		218.50	
Overſeers of the poor for ſupporting ſlaves,		276.56	
For compenſation to the aſſiſtant Attornies General,		5,840.34	
Special ſervices of the Attorney-General,		1,120.00	
Rent and Taxes of Houſe in Albany, occcupied by the Governor		763.54	
Expences of paying annuities to Indians,		584.96	
On demanding a fugitive from juſtice,		37.89	11,454.06
For Salaries limited as to time, or depending on annual proviſion.			
To the Comptroller,		3,000.00	
Surveyor-General,		1,250.00	
Adjutant-General,		1,500.00	
Commiſſary of Military Stores,		200.00	5,950,00
For charges which are to continue for a limited time.			
To the Hoſpital at New-York,		12,500.00	
Columbia College,		1,875.00	
Union College,		750.00	
Catharine Paris, during her widowhood,		75.00	
For ſupport of John Swaney, during his inability,		50.00	15,250.00
Amount carried forward,			107,748.95.25

Brought Forward,		107,748.95,25
For other appropriations.		
Additional allowances to Members and officers of the Legiſlature,	16,589.57	
to officers of government,	2,524.90	
To claimants of Lands in Vermont,	24,678.10	
The city of New-York, towards the ſupport of foreign poor,	17,009.46	
Inſpectors of the State priſon for ſupport of priſoners	10,000.00	
for former balances,	4,038.55	
Health Officers for Marine Hoſpital,	11,250.00	
Bank of New-York for intereſt of money borrowed,	12,145.16	
Bank of Albany, for intereſt of money borrowed,	924.81	
Sundry perſons for public ſecurities,	1,361.32	
For loſſes on purchaſes of fofeited eſtates,	3,926,75	
For claims to Land ſold by the State,	13,088.25	
Anne Claus, for her dower,	1,409.58	
Commiſſioners of Health-Office, balance of their account to 15th March laſt,	1,095.93	
For ſettling diſputes in Onondaga,	6,744.09	
For ſettling claims to lands in Vermont,	1,164.70	
For improving the navigation of Hudſons River,	3,750.00	
Superintendant of the ſalt-works,	1,402.09,75	
Surveyor-General; amount of money paid by him for ſurveys,	2,651.01	
For great ſeal,	148.80	
To defray expences of ſurvey of land of St. Regis Indians,	400.00	
Attorney-General for expences on Connecticut claim,	1,100.00	
Robert M'Clallen, Treaſurer, for expences,	205.68	
Daniel Hale, Secretary, for expences,	256.58,2	
To procure the Laws of each State,	600.00	
Sheriff's for returning ballots in 1798,	75.00	
Clerks of counties for recording mortgages to late Treaſurer,	8.37,5	
Printers,	519.41	
John G. Carter to pay for printing and diſtributing forms for Aſſeſſors,	200.00	
James Caldwell, for an iron cheſt,	100.00	
Moſes Hatfield, adminiſtrator of David Gardner,	600.00	
Jabez Johnſon, for cannon taken in 1775,	800.00	
Preſbyterian Congregation in Salem,	186.73	
George Merchant,	162.50	
John Joyce,	55.00	
John J. Klock,	40.09	
John Dockſtedder,	55.00	
Richard Bailey,	66.00	
James Barleſs, principal paid by James Gordon, reloaned,	100.00	141,433.44.45
On Warrants iſſued before the 8th January, 1799,		7,631.09
		256,813.48,70
Deduct amount of Warrants remaining unpaid 8th January, 1800,		5,048.45
Amount of Payments,		251,765,03.7

Beſides the 50,000 dollars in bills emitted in 1788 borrowed in the laſt ſeſſion by the ſpecial direction of the Senate and Aſſembly, the Comptroller upon the application of the commiſſioners of the Health office, has ſince in behalf of the State

borrowed from the bank of New-York, the further ſum of 11,250 dollars for the purpoſes mentioned in the "Act to amend an act entitled, an act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," paſſed the 25th of February laſt; 7500 dollars of which was borrowed the 14th of June, and the remainder the 21ſt of October laſt.

The balance in the Treaſury on the 8th of January, 1799, was 3700 dollars 11 cents, and one mill and a half.

According to the preceding ſtatements, the Treaſurer's account on the 8th of January 1800 for the laſt year, excluſive of the money received on the loan for the defence of the State, ſtood as follows:

His receipts beſides the money borrowed amounted to	192,028.71,65	
Borrrowed from the bank of New-York,	61,250.00	
Balance in the Treaſury, 8th January, 1799,	3,700.11,15	256,978.82,8
His payments amounted to		251,765.03.7
Balance in the Treaſury, 8th January, 1800,		5,213.79,1

But after deducting from this balance the amount of the Warrants then unpaid, there will remain only 165 dollars, 34 cents, and one mill which is to be conſidered as the balance in caſh, in favor of the State, the 8th January, 1800.

The 500 dollars paid into the treaſury by the managers of the Lottery is ſubject to the demand of Ezra L'Hommedieu, David Gelſton, George Scriba and William Henderſon, for 400 dollars with intereſt; they having paid that ſum into the hands of George Huntington, for the purpoſe mentioned in the ſixth ſection of the "act ſupplementary to the act for opening and improving certain great roads in this State."

The treaſury is alſo ſubject to the following demands: For 5,321 dollars and 90 cents to claimants of lands in the State of Vermont; For compenſation to one of the late electors of the Preſident of the United States; For the ſum due on a mortgage of land ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures and now belonging to Joſeph Caldwell and Thomas Bradſhaw; For compenſation to the Sheriffs of Suffolk, Kings and Weſtcheſter, for conveying the ballots taken at the election in their counties in 1798 to the Secretary's office; For expences on account of the claim under a grant from the State of Connecticut to lands in this State; For payment of the principal and intereſt due on certificates iſſued by the late Treaſurer and Auditor, and by Haring, Gaſharie and Moffatt, and on bills of credit emitted the 15th of June, 1780, and the 21ſt of March, 1781, called new emiſſion; For expences of ſurveys and adjuſting claims relating to lands granted by this State which are comprehended in the tract ceded to the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts; For requiſitions by the inland navigation companies; For compenſation to John Porteous and Alexander Ellice, for money given by them to George Johnſon and others for a releaſe of their claims to 700 acres of land ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures; for compenſation to the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, and their clerk; and a demand of John McKeſſon, againſt the forfeited eſtate of John Tabor Kempe. What ſum will be neceſſary to ſatisfy theſe demands, or when they will be made on the treaſury, is equally uncertain. But it is ſuppoſed that at leaſt 20,000 dollars will be required to ſatisfy ſuch of them as will be made in the courſe of the preſent year.

The amount of the money advanced by the bank of New-York, on their contract with his Excellency the Governor, for a loan in conſequence of the act for the further defence of this State, is 92,984 dollars and 98 cents; 3,500 dolls. of which were paid in the year 1798, and the reſidue in the courſe of the laſt year. This money has been paid on the following accounts: To Henry I. Bogart 4000 dollars towards the expence of building an Arſenal, in the neighborhood of Albany. To Matthew Clarkſon 500 dollars, towards the expence of fortifying the port of New-York, and 4,000 dollars to purchaſe arms. To Philip Hooker and Eliſha Putnam 6180 dollars, on their contract for building the Arſenal. To the corporation of the city of New-York 63804 dollars and 98 cents, being the ſum borrowed by them in 1798, and expended for the defence of this State, with the intereſt to the firſt day of October laſt, and the remaining 500 dollars, to the Honorable Stephen Van Renſſelaer, for a lot of ground purchaſed of him by his Excellency the Governor, purſuant to the fifteenth ſection of the "act for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," paſſed the third day of April laſt.

The balance due to the Bank of New-York on their other loans to the State, 189,250 dollars; and to the Bank of Albany 19,000 dollars. Beſides theſe ſu the corporation of the city of New-York, purſuant to the laſt ſection of the "act raiſe a ſum of money for the uſe of this State by tax, and for the further ſupport government," paſſed the third day of April laſt, have borrowed on the credit of t State from the bank of New-York the ſum of forty-five thouſand dollars, whic added to the ſums due on the ſeveral other loans, makes the whole amount to 34 234 dollars and 98 cents; the annual intereſt of which will be 20,774 dollars a 9 cents.

The act of the laſt ſeſſion for raiſing money by tax provides for the diſcharge the ſums which became payable on the third Tueſday of March, 1798, to the ſeve counties, agreeable to the act for the encouragement of ſchools. But no provi has been made for any further payments on that account; and as it is alledged th the counties have not ſince that period complied with the law by raiſing the ſu required by tax, it may be doubted whether they are juſtly entitled to any furth payments from the State. This is a queſtion to be decided by the Legiſlature.

It may be proper to mention that the period limited for the payment of the a nual ſum of £.750 to the Truſtees of Columbia College, to be applied to the pa ment of the ſalaries of ſuch additional Profeſſors in that College as they ſhould thi proper to appoint, is expired; and that the grant of £.5000 à year for the ſu port of the Hoſpital in the city of New-York will expire on the firſt day of Febru ry next, when the laſt payment will become due amounting to £.1250 equal to 31 dollars.

Although 50,000 dollars were borrowed at the cloſe of the laſt ſeſſion to defr the expences of the Legiſlature, yet as other exiſting charges on the treaſury to amount exceeding that ſum have been paid out of the ordinary revenue, the debt the State has not been increaſed in the laſt year, otherwiſe than by the loans for t defence of the State, and for erecting a marine hoſpital, and the credit given to t corporation of the city of New-York.

The produce of the tax impoſed in the laſt ſeſſion cannot yet be fairly eſtimate but the probability is, that it will not be ſufficient to diſcharge the ſums to be pa out of it for the encouragement of Schools, and to repay the money borrowed the corporation of the city of New-York on the credit of the State.

From the preceding ſtatements, as well as thoſe formerly made, it appears th the annual revenue is more than ſufficient to defray the ordinary expences of t government; but that the ſurplus is not equal to the additional allowances a particular appropriations made by the Legiſlature in each ſeſſion for ſeveral ye paſt. The deficiency having been yearly ſupplied by loans, has occaſioned t preſent debt to the Banks of New-York and Albany, and produced the neceſſity a tax, as well to ſupport the credit of the State, as to diſcharge the immediate d mands on the treaſury. What ſum will be neceſſary to be raiſed by tax in the p ſent year, will depend on the amount of the particular appropriations to be ma and the deciſion of the Legiſlature reſpecting the balance claimed by the Unit States, and the propriety of any further payments for the encouragement of ſchoo The whole amount of the ſums that may be appropriated to either of thoſe obje or for any other purpoſe as well as the intereſt of the loans ought to be provid for by a tax, in order that the whole ſurplus of the ordinary revenue may be appli to the gradual diſcharge of the principal of the loans. This has become neceſſa to ſupport and preſerve the credit of the State. And by theſe means if the produ of the revenue is neither diverted to other purpoſes nor diminiſhed by the Legiſ ture, the whole of thoſe loans may be diſcharged in a few years.

It is proper to mention that as a Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United Sta are to be choſen on the firſt Wedneſday in December next, an early or ſpecial me ing of the Legiſlature will be neceſſary for the purpoſe of appointing Electors, wh will occaſion an additional expence in the preſent year.

SAMUEL JONES, *Comptroller.*

Albany, 22d January, 1800.

Ordered, That two hundred copies of the ſaid ſtatement be forthwith printed for the uſe of this Houſe.

Mr. Speaker laid before the Houſe the account of Robert M'Clallen, Eſquire, Treaſurer of this State, with the certificate of the gentlemen appointed by law to examine the ſtate of the treaſury; which account and certificate are in the words and figures following, to wit.

DR. The State of New-York in account current with Robert M'Clallen, Treaſurer.

	DOLLARS.	CTS.	M.
January the 8th, 1800.			
To amount of an account of payments made ſince the eighth day of January laſt, - -	251,769	3	7
Balance now in the treaſury - - -	5,213	79	1
	256,982	82	8

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January the 8th, 1800.			
By balance due the ſtate on a ſettlement of my accounts on the eighth day of January laſt, - - -	3,700	11	1.5
Amount of an account of receipts into the treaſury ſince the eighth day of January laſt, - - -	253,282	71	6.5
	256,982	82	8

ERRORS EXCEPTED,

Albany, 8*th January*, 1800,

ROBERT M'CLALLEN, *Treaſurer*.

We the ſubſcribers do hereby certify, that purſuant to a law of the State of New-York, entitled "An act for the appointment of a Treaſurer," paſſed the ſixteenth day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-eight, and of concurrent reſolutions of the Senate and Aſſembly of this State, of the thirty-firſt day of March, 1798: we have examined the accounts of ROBERT M'CLALLEN, Treaſurer of this State, ſince the eighth day of January laſt, and that we find them regularly ſtated and balanced; and that the balance of five thouſand two hundred and thirteen dollars, ſeventy-nine cents and one mill, belonging to the State, is actually in the Treaſury, or depoſited as directed by law. Witneſs our hands at Albany, this eighth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thouſand eight hundred.

ABM. TEN BROECK,
JER. VAN RENSSELAER,
JOHN TAYLER,
LEONARD GANSEVOORT.

ABSTRACT of CASH received by the Treaſurer, from the eighth day of January, 1799, to the eighth day of January, 1800.

	DOLLARS.	CTS.	M.
For new lands - - - -	1,200		
Intereſt on the loan of 1792 - - -	25,467	48	
Intereſt on the debt of the bank of New-York -	33,987	82	
Duties on goods ſold at auction - - - -	47,907	95	9
Intereſt and part principal of the loan of 1786 -	13,082	90	
Arrears of quit-rent - - -	15,532	38	
Commutation for quit-rent - - -	5,087	63	
Intereſt on three per cent ſtock - -	23,133	88	
Dividends on the ſhares in the bank of the United States -	4,864		
Ditto on the ſhares in the bank of New-York -	4,500		
Ditto on the ſhares in the bank of Albany - -	1,800		
A dividend of 3 per cent on the ſhares in the ſtock of Weſtern Inland Lock Navigation Company - -	1,350.		
Intereſt on mortgages of land in the Cayuga and Onondaga reſervations	875	29	5
Intereſt on mortgages of land in Brothertown -	2,077	90	
Intereſt on mortgages of land in the Oneida reſervation, &c.	2,647	57	
Intereſt on mortgages of land in Saratoga - -	63	08	
Principal of a mortgage on ditto - - -	100		
Carried forward	183,677	89	4

	DOLLS.	CTS. M.
Brought forward	183,677	89 4
For intereſt on loans to individuals	1,950	
Fees received and accounted for by the Secretary and Surveyor-Genl.	568	19 2.5
From the Bank of New-York, borrowed by the Comptroller	61,250	
Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor-General, balance of his account	2,651	
Nathan Dean and Squire Whitaker	600	
For rent of the Government-Houſe in New-York	1,625	
From John Tayler, one of the Managers of the State-Road Lottery	500	
N. Fiſh, one of the Commiſſioners of Fortifications, a balance	397	88
Samuel Jones, Comptroller, for fees due him as one of the Commiſſioners of the Land-Office	68	34
R. Newſon and DeWitt Clinton, a balance		41
The Superintendant of Salt-works at Onondago, on account of lots in the Town of Salina ſold by him	80	
Catherine Bowles, returned as over paid her on the Comptroller's warrant for her proportion of the money paid into the Treaſury, by the State of Vermont	4	
	253,282	71 6.5

ERRORS EXCEPTED,

Albany, 8th January, 1800,

ROBERT M'CLALLEN, *Treaſurer.*

ABSTRACT of CASH paid by the Treaſurer from the eighth day of January, 1799, to the eighth day of January, 1800.

	DOLLARS.	CTS. M.
To ſundry perſons for public ſecurities	1,361	32
The Members of the Legiſlature, their officers and attendants	54,290	67
The Commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes in Onondaga	6,744	9
The Commiſſioners for ſettling claims to lands in Vermont	1,164	70
The Attorney-General and Council on account of Connecticut claim	1,881	
For ſpecial ſervices of the Attorney-General	339	
Annuities to Indians	10,337	57
Support of Slaves	276	56
The additional duty on goods ſold at auction in the city of New-York, for the ſupport of foreign poor	15,155	42
Rent and taxes of the houſe occupied by the Governor	763	54
An iron cheſt purchaſed by the Comptroller	100	
To the Truſtees of Union College	750	
The Truſtees of Columbia College	4,250	
The Commiſſioners of the Health-Office in New-York	11,250	
Clerks of Counties for notifying officers	197	21
The Members of the Council of Appointment	218	50
Sundry Printers	1,353	3 5
Sheriffs for balances of their accounts	540	81
Uri Tracey for conveying ballots to the Secretary's office in 1798	60	
The Governor for immediate charges of Government	200	
The former Commiſſioners of the Health-Office in New-York	1,095	93
Catherine Paris for her penſon	75	
Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor-General	3,199	81
The Superintendants of the affairs of the Brothertown Indians	2,160	79
Carried forward	117,764	95 5

	DOLLS.	CTS.	M.
Brought forward	117,764	95	5
To officers of government - - -	34,982	12	2.5
To Robert M'Clallen, Treaſurer, for expences attending the removal of the books of the Treaſury, for the conveyance of bills of credit from New-York to Albany, and for the purchaſe of books -	205	68	
To Daniel Hale, Secretary, for expences attending the removal of the books and papers of his office from New-York to Albany, and procuring the neceſſary boxes for the better preſerving the records -	256	58	2
To claimants of lands in the ſtate of Vermont, under grants from the late colony of New-York - - - - - -	23,312	95	
To the Treaſurer of the Hoſpital in New-York - -	12,500		
The Inſpectors of the State Priſon in New-York	14,038	55	
The Bank of New-York for intereſt on monies borrowed	12,625	16	
The Bank of Albany for intereſt on monies borrowed	924	81	
Aſſiſtant Attornies-General - -	5,840	34	
For loſſes on purchaſes of forfeited eſtates -	19,015		
J. Hatfield, adminiſtrator to the eſtate of D. Gardiner, deceaſed	600		
To George Merchant for damages ſuſtained by laying the foundation of the public building in the city of Albany -	162	50	
To Jabez Johnſon, for cannon taken from him in 1775 -	800		
John Joyce - - - - -	55		
Jacob Dockſteader, reimburſement of a loſs ſuſtained by him in a ſuit at law - - - - -	55		
To John I. Klock, for the ſum by him paid into the Treaſury through miſtake for commutation for quit rents - - -	40	09	
To Ann Claus for her right of dower - - - -	1,409	58	
S. Ryer for taking R. Graham, a fugitive from juſtice -	37	89	
To the Truſtees of the firſt Preſbyterian congregation adhering to the aſſociate reformed ſynod in Salem -	186	73	
To John G. Carter to defray the expence of printing and diſtributing the forms required by the tax-law - -	200		
To the Commiſſioners for improving the navigation of Hudſon's river, between the villages of Troy and Lanſingburgh -	3,750		
To John Sweeny for his penſion - - -	50		
The Superintendant of Salt Works at Onondago -	1,402	09	7.5
For a loan to an individual, being the ſum paid into the Treaſury for the principal of a mortgage on land in Saratoga	100		
To the Secretary for procuring laws - -	600		
To ſundry perſons for delivering at the Secretary's office tranſcripts of the returns made the clerks of the reſpective counties in this ſtate, of the votes taken at the laſt election.	854		
	251,769	03	7

ERRORS EXCEPTED,

Albany, 8th January, 1800.

Robert M'Clallen, *Treaſurer.*

Ordered, That one hundred and fifty copies of the Treaſurer's account be for with printed for the uſe of this Houſe.

A communication from the Comptroller to his honor the Speaker, was read, a is in the words following, viz.

Comptroller's Office, Albany, 14th January, 180

SIR,

In purſuance of the reſolution of the Honourable Houſe of Aſſembly of the day of March laſt, I have inquired into the matter thereby referred to me, herewith incloſe a report thereon.

I have the honor to be,
With great reſpect,
Your obedient Servant,
SAMUEL JONES.

The Honourable Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly of the State of New-York.

The ſaid report is in the words and figures following, to wit.

To the Honourable Legiſlature of the State of New-York.

In purſuance of the reſolution of the Honourable Houſe of Aſſembly of the St of New-York of the 23d day of March laſt, referring the petition of Myndert Wimple and others, and the report of a committee of the Houſe of Aſſembly the on to the Comptroller, and directing him to inquire what diſpoſition has been ma of the avails of the forfeited eſtate of Andries Wimple by the commiſſioners of fo feitures, and to report thereon to the Legiſlature at their next ſeſſion: the Com troller has made the neceſſary inquiries concerning the matter referred to him; a thereupon reports, That Jacob G. Klock and Henry Oothoudt, commiſſioners forfeitures for the Weſtern Diſtrict, on the 23d day of September, 1782, for the co ſideration of twenty-five pounds, ſold and conveyed to Chriſtopher Yates, the ri and title of the ſaid Andries Wimple to $13\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land, being a leaſehold eſta in Butlerſburg, in the diſtrict of Coughnawaga, in the then county of Tryon, n Montgomery. It does not appear that any of the commiſſioners of forfeitures e ſold or diſcovered any other property as forfeited by the ſaid Andries Wimple. T property ſtated in the ſaid report of the ſaid committee to have been ſold by Hen Oothoudt, Jeremiah Van Renſſelaer and Chriſtopher Yates, to Myndert R. Wi ple, the 23d June, 1785, conſiſted of $13\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land with the buildings and i provements thereon, being part of lot No. 8, and the reſidue of the ſaid lot No. containing 75 acres, and lot No. 18 eſtimated at 75 acres, in Butlerſburgh, in t diſtrict of Coughnawaga, in the county of Montgomery. And it appears by t advertiſement for the ſale by the commiſſioners and their conveyances to Mynde R. Wimple, that theſe lands had been in the poſſeſſion of the ſaid Andries Wimp under a leaſe from John Butler, and that the commiſſioners ſold only the rent a reverſion of the premiſes as forfeited by the attainder of the ſaid John Butler. T commiſſioners, as appears by the accounts in the treaſury, have accounted to t State for all the ſums mentioned in the ſaid report, amounting to three hundred a ſixty pounds; and not having ſold any other property as forfeited by the ſaid A dries Wimple, than his right to the firſt abovementioned $13\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land, the on the 5th Auguſt, 1789, after their office had ceaſed, certified to the Treaſure that they had ſold of the eſtate of the ſaid Andries Wimple, twenty-five poun and no more, as appears by the ſaid certificate. A copy of which is annexed.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SAMUEL JONES, *Comptroller.*

Albany, 14th January, 1800.

To the Treaſurer of the State of New-York.

Henry Oothoudt and Jeremiah Van Renſſelaer, late commiſſioners of the forfei ures of the Weſtern Diſtrict of the ſaid State, do hereby certify and make known the ſaid Treaſurer that we have ſold of the eſtate of Andries Wimple, late of Cag nawaga diſtrict, in the county of Tryon, Eſq.

By appointment agreeable to the law of the 4th October, 1780, twenty-five pounds, } £. 25.

Which is all the eſtate by us ſold of the ſaid Andries Wimple, and the amou thereof paid into the treaſury, by

HENRY OOTHOUDT,
JEREMIAH VAN RENSSELAER.

5th Auguſt, 1789. (Copy.)

Ordered, That the ſaid report and the papers accompanying the ſame be referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Deitz and Mr. Doty.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I herewith lay before you a letter of the 14th inſtant, from the Surveyor-General, with a map of the lands reſerved to the Indians at St. Regis. His remarks on that ſubject, and alſo on the defect in the acts directing the ſale of lots at Otſego and Salina, are worthy of conſideration.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 29th January, 1800.

The letter which accompanied his Excellency's meſſage was alſo read, and is the words following, viz.

SIR,

Purſuant to the act of the Legiſlature directing "the Surveyor-General to lay out and ſurvey the lands reſerved to the Indians reſiding at St. Regis," I have ſurveyed, in a manner ſatisfactory to the chiefs of that tribe, the tract equal to ſix miles ſquare, reſerved to them at their village; as alſo the two tracts of one mile ſquare each, at the mills on Salmon river and Graſs river. Maps deſcriptive of the boundaries of thoſe ſeveral tracts I have the honor herewith to deliver.

When I was about to commence the ſurvey of the meadows reſerved to the uſe of thoſe Indians on Graſs river, they informed me, in council, that they conceived themſelves entitled to a tract of half a mile on each ſide of the river, from its mouth up to the mill, and that they had cauſed it to be run out in that manner for their meadow-reſervation, and intimated a deſire that my ſurvey ſhould be made in a correſpondent manner. I was obliged to inform them that I had no guide but their treaty, and conſequently could regard no ſurveys that had been made without authority, and that nothing but the meadows barely along the river, beſides the mill tract, was pointed out as their property. They then pointedly deſired me to make no marks on that ground, obſerving at the ſame time that as a deputation from their nation would have to repair to Albany, on other buſineſs, during the ſitting of the Legiſlature, they wiſhed by that opportunity to obtain an explanation of what they conceived to be a miſapprehenſion between the parties to the treaty.

Not being permitted to make a ſurvey of the meadows, I availed myſelf of the opportunity, in going up and down the river, of making an eſtimate of them, with a view to report the ſame as an article of information that might be ſerviceable in caſe a compromiſe reſpecting them ſhould be contemplated.

Theſe meadows conſiſt of narrow ſtripes along the margin of the river where inundations have prevented the growth of the timber. They lie in a number of patches from half a chain to three or four chains in width, making in the whole extent, which is about ſix miles, not exceeding ſixty acres altogether, as nearly as I could judge. The graſs on them, with ſmall exceptions, is all wild graſs. Their value, though of no very great conſideration as an appendage to the adjoining lands, is however eſteemed as almoſt ineſtimable by Indians, who conſider the clearing of lands as a matter entirely beyond their power to accompliſh. It will be impoſſible moreover that the Indians ſhould ever encloſe theſe meadows with fences ſo as to prevent their deſtruction by the cattle of the white inhabitants, who will ſoon ſettle thick in their neighbourhood; and this will inevitably become the cauſe of diſagreeable differences.

It is proper for me alſo to obſerve that the ground on which theſe meadows are ſituated, as well as the mile ſquare at the mill on graſs river, has been patented in tracts diſtinct from Macomb's purchaſe, and therefore the ſanction which the proprietors of that purchaſe gave to the treaty will not exonerate the ſtate from the duty of compenſating the owners of the lands from which theſe parts of the reſervations are taken.

I have alſo to report to your excellency that there is a defect in the laws directing the ſales of the lots in the town of Oſwego and in the village of Salina, at the Salt

Springs, inaſmuch as no power is expreſsly given to any one to execute conveyance from the ſtate to the purchaſers. Thoſe who became purchaſers paid, as directe by law, a quarter part of the purchaſe money on the days of ſale, but no part of th remainder has been received becauſe of the impracticability of giving titles. It wi therefore be proper that theſe defects in the laws be remedied, and a definite tim allowed to the perſons entitled to grants to fulfill the conditions of their reſpectiv purchaſes.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your Excellency's
Moſt obedient ſervant,
SIMEON DEWITT.

His Excellency Governor Jay.

Albany, January 14, 1800.

Ordered, That the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, together with th letter accompanying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole houſe.

A petition of Gerry O'Bryan and others, inhabitants of the town of Briſtol, i the county of Schoharie, praying a grant of vacant lands lying in the ſaid county was read and referred to Mr. Becker, Mr. Taber and Mr. Bill.

A petition of Robert Fuller and others, of Plainfield, in the county of Otſego relative to certain lands in the ſaid county alledged to have become forfeited to th ſtate by the attainder of Oliver De Lancey and others, was read and referred to th Attorney General to report thereon.

A certificate ſubſcribed by Stephen Van Renſſelaer, Dirck Ten Broeck and Dani Hale, in purſuance of the law of this ſtate in the ſaid certificate mentioned, wa read and with the liſt therein mentioned is in the words and figures following, to wi

Liſt of bills of credit called new emiſſion; and of certificates ſigne by John Haring, Joſeph Gaſharie and Thomas Moffatt, or two of them and of certificates ſigned by Gerard Bancker, late Treaſurer of the State o New-York, now in the poſſeſſion of the Comptroller, and to be cancelle on the firſt Tueſday of June, 1799, purſuant to the directions of an a entitled "An act directing certain bills of credit and certificates belong ing to this State to be cancelled," paſſed the 23d March, 1799.

New Emiſſion Bills.

Number	Date	Amount	Number	Date	Amou
109.	15 June, 1780.	3 Dollars.	151.	27 March, 1780.	2 Dolla
361.	do. do.	5 do.	4763.	do. do.	5 do.
1257.	do. do.	5 do.	1493.	15 June, 1780.	1 do.
1786.	do. do.	5 do.			

Certificates ſigned by Gerard Bancker, for money loaned.

Number	Date	Amount	Value
51.	5 June, 1780.	for 1000 Continental Dollars.	25 Dollars.
276.	do. do.	1000 do. do.	25 do.

Certificates ſigned by John Haring, Joſeph Gaſharie and Thom Moffatt, or two of them, called depreciation certificates, dated 31ſt Jul 1780.

Number	Amount	Number	Amount
95.	£.4 19 9.	2893.	£.20 0 0.
113.	54 5 7.	4051.	2 9 2.
796.	30 0 0.	4461.	74 10 6.
797.	30 0 0.	4468.	5 0 4.
2251.	30 0 0.	4543.	73 15.

Certificates called principal certificates ſigned by Gerard Bancker, i ſued in purſuance of the act for emitting the ſum of two hundred thou ſand pounds in bills of credit for the purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſe 18th April, 1786.

Number	Amount	Number	Amount
4762.	£.61 4.	5349.	£.29 11 3.

Certificates called intereſt certificates ſigned by Gerard Bancker, iſſu in purſuance of the act for emitting the ſum of two hundred thouſan pounds in bills of credit for the purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſed 18 April, 1786.

Number	Amount
332.	£.5 13.
679.	18 6.
969.	31 14 6.
970.	4 12 8.
2099.	1 2 5.
2739.	23 2 9.
3020.	9 11 1.
3853.	3 19 1.
4136.	12 18 2.
4245.	15 8 8.
4246.	15 17 1.
4452.	60 12.
4762.	£.9 11 10.
4838.	9 7 10.
5055.	8 12 10.
5057.	17 9 2.
5058.	16 9 5.
5059.	16 18 7.
5060.	10 2.
5162.	1 3 4.
5163.	17 15 2.
5243.	40 14 1.
5245.	4 12 2.
5342.	17 6 1.
5349.	6 9 7.

Certificates called levy certificates, iſſued by Gerard Bancker.

Number	Commencement of Intereſt	Amount
486.	10 June, 1779.	£.0 16 8
1146.	31 Auguſt, 1780.	6 15 1 1-3
2001.	17 Auguſt, 1779.	1 17 4
2049.	6 March, 1780.	1 19 1 1-3
3028.	18 June, 1780.	2 16 0
8445.	6 June, 1780.	1 3 1
9571.	3 November, 1781.	10 8
10858.	1 November, 1780.	10 4 5
11175.	3 December, 1780.	4 13 10
13557.	18 May, 1780.	1 8
13671.	8 February, 1781.	1 8
13673.	do. do.	1 8
14121.	14 February, 1781.	0 10
14460.	8 February, 1781.	3 6
19015.	31 December, 1782.	7 4 0
19210.	6 June, 1780.	1 3 7
20165.	5 December, 1779.	1 1 9 2-3
21739.	29 October, 1781.	5 4
27113.	2 June, 1780.	1 3 7
27173.	15 December, 1781.	1 4 9
27379.	7 June. 1780.	16
27864.	31 October, 1780.	1 17 4
27879.	14 November, 1780.	16
29120.	4 November, 1781.	1 2 0 2-3
29869.	24 October, 1780.	1 3 1 1-3
30053.	19 October, 1780.	14 2 2-3
30056.	do. do.	14 2 2-3
30172.	3 November, 1779.	16
30209.	7 July, 1779.	17 9 1-3
45652.	3 July, 1780.	1 2 2
45882.	20 October, 1781.	2 9
45957.	12 Auguſt, 1782.	16 8
46033.	28 October, 1780.	4 7 9
46165.	19 May, 1779.	8 4
46198.	18 October, 1778.	8 4
30301.	28 April, 1779.	£.0 10 8
30310.	do. do.	5 4
30334.	13 May, 1780.	3 7
30337.	do. do.	3 7
31600.	25 July, 1780.	14 2 2-3
32738.	3 December, 1779.	2 13 4
37048.	6 September, 1779.	17 9
37075.	9 November, 1779.	1 5 8
40071.	1 November, 1779.	12 5
40081.	1 November, 1781.	12 5
40083.	do. do.	12 5
40084.	do. do.	12 5
40086.	4 Auguſt, 1780.	14 2
40088.	do. do.	14 2
40089.	do. do.	14 2
40095.	9 July, 1780.	3 6
40096.	do. do.	3 6
40097.	do. do.	3 6
40099.	do. do.	3 6
40103.	22 October, 1780.	7 1
40104.	do. do.	7 1
40276.	5 November, 1780.	11 4
40463.	24 October, 1781.	1 6 6
41798.	1 January, 1782.	8 9 5
43923.	11 June, 1779.	1 2
44323.	12 June, 1780.	11 3 3-4
44548.	do. do.	11 4 1-4
44554.	do. do.	11 4 1-4
44580.	do. do.	11 4 1-4
44962.	21 October, 1777	3 3 10
46426.	26 Auguſt, 1782.	0 16 8
46517.	2 June, 1779.	17 9
46631.	1 September, 1782.	1 7 9
46925.	14 Auguſt, 1779.	1 2 9
47000.	1 June, 1780.	1 9 6
47068.	24 June, 1780.	17 10

Certificate called new principal, ſigned Gerard Bancker.

Number	Amount
123.	£.5 0 0 with intereſt from the 1ſt January, 1785, at the rate of ſix per cent. according to a law paſſed 22d March, 1790.

STATE OF NEW-YORK, to wit.

We the ſubſcribers, Stephen Van Renſſelaer, the Preſident of the Senate, Dirck Ten Broeck, the Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly, and Daniel Hale, the Secretary of this State, do hereby certify, that on the firſt Tueſday in June, being the fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, we met together at the office of the Secretary of this State, in the city of Albany; and that the Comptroller then and there delivered unto us the Bills of Credit, called new emſſion, and alſo the certificates mentioned and deſignated in the preceding liſt; and that we then and there compared the ſaid bills and certifi-

cates with the ſaid liſt thereof, which we found to correſpond; and that we then and there deſtroyed the ſaid bills and certificates deſignated in the ſaid liſt, by burning the ſame to aſhes, according to the directions of the ſtatute entitled "an act directing certain Bills of Credit and Certificates belonging to this State, to be cancelled."

STEPHEN VAN RENSSELAER,
DIRCK TEN BROECK,
DANIEL HALE.

Reſolved, That it be the duty of all ſelect committees to whom references ſhall be made, in all caſes to report a ſtate of facts, and alſo their opinions thereon to the houſe.

Ordered, That one hundred and fifty copies of the rules and orders of this houſe be forthwith printed for the uſe of the members.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole houſe, on the ſpeech of his excellency the governor, and the papers accompanying the ſame, reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to prolong the preſent January term of the Supreme Court," was by unanimous conſent of the houſe, read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Becker deliver the bill to the hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

Then the houſe adjourned until eleven o'clock to-mo rrow morning.

Thurſday, eleven o'clock, January 30th, 1800.

A petition of John Thurman, and a petition of Nehemiah Mead and others, ſeverally praying that the legiſlature will confirm the title of ſaid Thurman in certain lands in the county of Waſhington, was read and referred to Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bill and Mr. Johnſon.

A petition of John Stevenſon, of the city of Albany, praying a grant of certain lands, for which letters patent have been iſſued to James Stevenſon the younger, whilſt this ſtate was a colony, was read and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Gray.

A petition of the executors of Gilbert Saltonſtall, deceaſed, and a petition of Mary Dean, widow of William Dean, were ſeverally read, and referred to Mr. Sherred, Mr. Emott and Mr. Savage, with inſtructions to the ſaid committee, if in their opinion relief be neceſſary, to bring in a bill granting general relief to perſons ſimilarly circumſtanced with the petitioners.

A petition of the ſuperviſors of the county of Waſhington, praying a law authoriſing them to raiſe the ſum of four hundred dollars, upon the inhabitants of ſaid county, for the purpoſe of erecting and compleating a place of ſecurity for the public records, was read and referred to the members attending this houſe from the ſaid county.

A petition of the truſtees and members of the Preſbyterian church and congregation of the town of Salem, in the county of Weſtcheſter, praying that a law may be paſſed empowering the ſaid truſtees to ſell a part of the lands belonging to the ſaid congregation, for the benefit of the ſaid church, was read and referred to the members attending this houſe from the county of Weſtcheſter.

A petition of David Bemis and others, inhabitants of the town of Burlington, in the county of Otſego, praying a revival for a limited time of the "act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent," was read and referred to Mr. Peck, Mr. Tinkham and Mr. Gilliland.

A petition of the miniſters, elders and deacons of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, in the city of New-York, praying that a law may be paſſed making certain alterations in the charter of the ſaid church, was read and referred to the members attending this houſe from the city and county of New-York.

A petition of Thomas Brown, of the county of Dutcheſs, relative to a tract of land in ſaid county, for the purchaſe of which the petitioner alledges he had contracted with Charles Inglis, late of the city of New-York, and a petition of John Jackſon and others, inhabitants of King's county, praying a reviſion of the act en-

titled "an act regulating the liberties of gaols," paſſed the 5th April, 1798, were ſeverally read and referred to the Attorney-General to report thereon.

A petition of Stephen Rundell and Abel Rundetl, was read.

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

A petition of a number of inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, relative to a deciſion by the commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes reſpecting the title to lands in the county of Onondaga, on a grant to Iſaac Lamb, for 500 acres of land in ſaid county; and a petition of the heirs of John Davis, late a major in the Continental army, praying that the legiſlature will by law confirm a grant of bounty lands made to their deceaſed father, were ſeverally read and referred to the ſaid commiſſioners, with inſtructions to report a ſtatement of facts, and their opinion, as to the operation of the exiſting laws, on thoſe and other grants ſimilarly circumſtanced.

A petition of certain owners and proprietors of a tract of ſalt meadows in the town of Orange, in the county of Rockland, praying to be exempted by law from the operation of the act for keeping in repair certain private roads in the ſaid town of Orange, was read and referred to the members attending this Houſe from the counties of Rockland and Orange.

A petition of the inhabitants of that part of the town of Mexico comprehended in the twelfth town in Conſtable's purchaſe, praying to be ſet off from the ſaid town of Mexico, and a petition of Benjamin Dey and others, inhabitants of the town of Romulus, in the county of Cayuga, praying a diviſion of ſaid town, were ſeverally read and referred to Mr. Riggs, Mr. Wood, Mr. King, Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Marvin, Mr. Henry and Mr. Strong, with inſtructions to the ſaid committee to report whether any and what general regulations may be neceſſary in the law relative to the diviſion of towns.

A petition of John Upham, of the county of Montgomery, praying a grant of lot No. 16, in the 12th general allotment of the patent of Kayadaroſſeras, was read and referred to Mr. Myer, Mr. Veeder and Mr. Field.

A petition of Jeremiah Van Renſſelaer and others, and a petition of Gilbert Livingſton and others, praying to be incorporated by the name of the "*Hudſon river Turnpike Company*," for improving the road between the cities of New-York and Albany, were ſeverally read and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Oothout. Mr. Van Benthuyſen, Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Emott, Mr. Stillwell and Mr. Rockwell.

A petition of the truſtees of Union college, was read and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe when on the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor at the opening of the ſeſſion.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of the whole Houſe on the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor and the papers accompanying the ſame, reported that the committee had agreed to the following reſolutions, to wit.

Reſolved as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to a reviſion of the act for the recovery of debts to the value of ten pounds, and report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the controverſy between the ſtate of Connecticut and this ſtate, and report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to an alteration in the criminal law, and report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the inſtitutions for the education of youth and common ſchools, and to report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor relative

to the introduction and ſpreading of infectious diſeaſes, and report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations, and report their opinion thereon to the houſe.

Which he was directed to report to the houſe; he alſo reported that the committee had made further progreſs, and had directed him to move for leave to ſit again: Mr. Woolſey read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the houſe.

Ordered, That the ſaid committee have leave to ſit again: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to a reviſion of the act for the recovery of debts to the value of ten pounds, and report their opinion thereon to this houſe. And that Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Thurman, Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Garnſey and Mr. Maſters be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the controverſy between the ſtate of Connecticut and this ſtate, and report their opinion thereon to this houſe; and that Mr. Floyd, Mr. Rutgers, Mr. Ten Broeck, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Blake be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to an alteration in the criminal law, and report their opinion thereon to this houſe; and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Bill, Mr. Bogert, Mr. M'Cord and Mr. Butler be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the inſtitutions for the education of youth and to common ſchools, and to report their opinion thereon to this houſe; and that Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Norton, Mr. Henry, Mr. Woolſey and Mr. Van Renſſelaer be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporation, and to report their opinion thereon to this houſe; and that Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Riggs, Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Henry and Mr. King be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor relative to the introduction and ſpreading of infectious diſeaſes, and report their opinion thereon to this houſe; and that Mr. Oothout, Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Tibbits, Mr. Strong and Mr. Marvin be of the ſaid committee.

Ordered, That one hundred and fifty copies of the reſolutions of the legiſlature of the ſtate of Vermont, referred to in the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, be printed for the uſe of this houſe.

Reſolved, That all bills which ſhall be paſſed in a committee of the whole, ſhall previouſly to their being engroſſed, be referred to a committee, whoſe duty it ſhall be to examine the ſame, and report all errors which may have eſcaped the notice of the houſe. together with the amendments thereof; and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Strong and Mr. E. Gilbert be of the ſaid committee.

Then the houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. January 31ſt, 1800.

A petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New-York, praying a law to enable them to raiſe the ſum of 130,000 dollars by tax, to defray the neceſſary public expences ariſing in the ſaid city and county the preſent year, was read and referred to the members attending in this Houſe from the city and county of New-York.

A petition of John Van Eps Wemple, late blackſmith to the Oneida Indians, ſtating, that he became entitled by contract with the ſaid Indians, to one hundred

acres of land in their reſervation; that the ſame has been ſold by them to the people of this State, and has ſince been purchaſed by individuals, who now hold the ſame, praying leave to locate other one hundred acres out of any of the unappropriated lands belonging to this State, was read and referred to Mr. King, Mr. Taber and Mr. Herkimer.

A petition of John Frazer, praying a grant of vacant land lying in the county of Schoharie, was read and referred to Mr. Myer, Mr. Veeder and Mr. Field.

A petition of Alexander Comrie, relative to a lot of land which became forfeited to the people of this State, was read and referred to Mr. M'Intyre, Mr. Adriance and Mr. Burnet.

Reſolved, That there be a ſtanding committee of claims appointed, to whom ſhall be referred all ſuch petitions and matters of private claims, which in the opinion of this Houſe may be deemed proper to be referred to ſuch committee, and that they report in all caſes a ſtatement of facts, with their opinion thereon to this Houſe, and that Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Pratt, Mr. Williams and Mr. Gray be of the ſaid committee.

A petition of the ſuperviſors of the county of Ulſter, praying that the ſaid county may be exempted from the operation of the law to regulate highways, ſo far as reſpects the appointment of ſuperintendants, and be placed in the ſame ſituation with the counties of New-York, Suffolk, Queens and Kings, was read and referred to Mr. Cantine, Mr. Bull, Mr. Fort, Mr. Halſey and Mr. Humfrey.

A petition of the ſuperviſors of the county of Delaware, praying that a law may be paſſed authorizing them to raiſe the ſum of five hundred dollars on the inhabitants of ſaid county, for the purpoſe of compleating the court houſe and gaol, was read and referred to Mr. Conyne, Mr. De Witt and Mr. Steenback.

A petition of Richard Williams, John Truax, Thomas Jackſon and Owen Bennett, reſpectively praying grants of bounty lands for military ſervices, and a petition of James Waters and Nancy Waters, legatees of Talman Waters, deceaſed, relative to a demand againſt the forfeited eſtate of Joſeph Ford, were ſeverally read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Iſaac Fiſk, and a petition of James Hanna, ſeverally praying grants of bounty lands, were read: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions.

Mr. Oothout from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Miniſter, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church in the city of New-York reported, that the facts ſtated in ſaid petition are true, and that in the opinion of the committee, leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for their relief.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Riggs purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the Circuit Court and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff from the committee appointed to inſpect what laws have expired or are near expiring, reported, that the act entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this ſtate," paſſed the 17th day of February, 1797, expires on the 17th day of February next, by its own limitation; that in the opinion of the committee the office of Comptroller ſhould be continued, and that he was directed to aſk for leave to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the petition of the Truſtees of Union College, and that the ſame be referred to the committee to whom was referred that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to inſtitutions for the education of youth.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Bronk, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of the Senate and of the Hon. the Aſſembly be appointed to conſider and report upon that

part of his Excellency the Governor's ſpeech relative to the encouragement of th Colleges and other ſeminaries of education within this ſtate ; and in caſe of ſuc concurrence, that Mr. Kent, Mr. Foote and Mr. Schenck be of the ſaid commit tee on the part of the Senate.

Reſolved, That this houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate, and that the com mittee to whom was referred that part of his Excellency the Governor's ſpeech men tioned in the preceding reſolution, be of the ſaid joint committee on the part o this houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Blake and Mr. Bogert deliver a copy of the preceding reſo lution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom an Mr. Bronk, was read, and is in the words following, towit.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) that a joint committee of th Senate and of the Hon. the Aſſembly, be appointed to conſider that part of th ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, and the papers accompanying the ſame which relate to the daring and violent oppoſition to the laws of the ſtate ſo fre quently manifeſted in a part of the county of Columbia ; and that they report wha meaſures are neceſſary to be taken in order to enforce the due adminiſtration o juſtice in the ſaid county ; and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. T. Morri Mr. Clinton and Mr. Ganſevoort be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate

Reſolved, That this houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid pre ceding reſolution, and that Mr. Riggs, Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Hallett, Mr. Wood an Mr. Conine be of the ſaid committee on the part of this houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Blake and Mr. Bogert deliver a copy of the preceding reſo lution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Bronck, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) that the Senate and Aſſem bly will reſpectively, on Monday next, at twelve of the clock, proceed to the ap pointment of a Regent of the Univerſity of this ſtate, in the place of Gulian Ver planck, Eſq. deceaſed.

Reſolved, That this houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid pre ceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Blake and Mr. Bogert deliver a copy of the preceding reſo lution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Bronk with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, en titled " An act to prolong the preſent January term of the Supreme Court," with out amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Bill and Mr. Blake deliver the bill to the Hon. the Counci of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr Bronk, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed th bill, entitled " An act authorizing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in th accounts of the commiſſioners of taxes," to which they requeſt the concurrence o this houſe.

The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That a joint committee of both houſes be appointed to conſider whether any, and if any, what alterations are ne ceſſary in the act, entitled " An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," an in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Bill, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Stilwell, Mr. Thomas Mr. Williams, Mr. Halſey and Mr. Noyes be of the ſaid committee on the part o this houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Bogert and Mr. Bruyn deliver a copy of the preceding reſo lution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Wood, according to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, move for, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled " An act to amend an act enti

tled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery, which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Radcliff, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act to prolong the preſent January term of the Supreme Court," ſhould become a law of this ſtate.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 29th inſt. and the letter of the Surveyor-General accompanying the ſame, and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Ryerſs from the ſaid committee reported, that the committee had agreed to the following reſolution:

Reſolved as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 29th inſtant, with the letter of the Surveyor-General accompanying the ſame, and report their opinion thereon to the Houſe; Which he was directedto report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 29th inſtant, with the letter of the Surveyor-General accompanying the ſame, and report their opinion thereon to this Houſe, and that Mr. Butler, Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Mills be of the ſaid committee.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of the whole Houſe on the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor and the papers accompanying the ſame, reported that the committee had agreed to the following reſolutions, to wit;

Reſolved as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, reſpecting the manner of diſpoſing of the claims of individuals upon the State, and report their opinion thereon to the Houſe,

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the compenſation of the officers of the executive and judicial departments of this State. Which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and that he was alſo directed to move for leave to ſit again.

Mr. Woolſey read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the ſaid committee have leave to ſit again: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the manner of diſpoſing of the claims of individuals upon the State, and report their opinion thereon to the Houſe, and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Wattles, Mr. Doty, Mr. Riggs and Mr. M'Kinſtry, be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the compenſation of the officers of the executive and judicial departments of this State, and report their opinion thereon to the Houſe, and that Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Noyes, Mr. Poſt, Mr. Hall and Mr. Williams be of the ſaid committee.

Mr. Evertſon from the committee appointed to prepare and report a draft of a reſpectful addreſs to his Excellency the Governor, in anſwer to his ſpeech at the opening of the ſeſſion, reported that the ſaid committee had prepared a draft accordingly, which he read in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the ſaid draft of an addreſs be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid draft of an addreſs, and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Comſtock from the ſaid committee reported, that the committee had gone through the ſaid draft, made amendments and agreed to the ſame, which he

was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and deliv. ered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the ſaid draft be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 1ſt, 1800.

James Burt, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the county of Orange, appeared in the Aſſembly chamber, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, Speaker of the Houſe, one of the commiſſioners appointed by a commiſſion in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem*, to adminiſter oaths, adminiſtered to him the oaths by law preſcribed.

Ordered, That Mr. Burt do take his ſeat.

The bill entitled "An act authorizing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in the accounts of the commiſſioners of taxes," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Tueſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid laſt mentioned bill.

The bill entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Tueſday the 11th inſt. reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid laſt mentioned bill.

The bill, entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit court and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Reſolved, That the Clerk cauſe all bills of a public nature, after having been committed to a committee of the whole Houſe, to be forthwith printed, and that 150 copies of each of ſuch bills be furniſhed for the uſe of the members of this Houſe.

A petition of Iſaac Sebring, and a petition of James Beeckman, praying compenſation for certain cannon taken for public uſe in the year 1775, and a petition of Mary Hanſon, widow and relict of John Hanſon, formerly of the city of New-York, deceaſed, relative to a balance due her late huſband on a penſion granted by his Britannic Majeſty, out of the quit-rents ariſing within the late Colony of New-York, were ſeverally read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of ſundry perſons, ſtiling themſelves Delegates from the ſeveral towns in the county of Cayuga, praying a law, eſtabliſhing the place for erecting the court-houſe and gaol for ſaid county, on No. 36, in Scipio, was read and referred to Mr. Halſey, Mr. Wattles and Mr. Oſtrom.

A petition of James Banks and others, aliens, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this ſtate, was read and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. A. Smith and Mr. Snell.

A petition of the heirs of Silas Corwin, deceaſed, and a petition of John Mc Whorter and Catharine his wife, ſeverally praying confirmations of grants for bounty lands made to ſoldiers who deceaſed before ſuch grants were obtained, were reſpectively read and referred to the Commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga.

A petition of Abraham Skinner, praying compenſation and a grant of bounty lands, as commiſſary general of priſoners, during the late war; a petition of Joſiah Skinner, and a petition of Thomas DeWitt, alſo praying grants of bounty lands; and a petition of Joſhua Carman, praying that the Legiſlature will by law give him a full and complete diſcharge from his creditors, were ſeverally read: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid petitioners have leave reſpectively to withdraw their ſaid petitions.

A petition of Anna Bancker, of the city of New-York, and a petition of William Vail, of the ſaid city, ſeverally praying compenſation for certain ground made uſe of by this ſtate, for the purpoſe of erecting fortifications thereon in the ſaid city,

were ſeverally read and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe, when on the report of the Comptroller reſpecting the matters mentioned in the laſt ſection of the act "for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," paſſed 3d April laſt.

A petition of Adam Coppernol, praying that he may be enabled to ſell and diſpoſe of a lot of land granted to him during his natural life, and after his death to his child or children, as tenants in common, and to their heirs and aſſigns forever, was read: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

A petition of Samuel Miller, of the city of New-York, relative to certain Dutch records in the Secretary's office, was read, and referred to Mr. J. Smith, Mr. Rutgers and Mr. Pettit.

A petition of the Stockbridge Indians, praying that the Legiſlature will direct that a place of public worſhip may be built for them, was read, and referred to Mr. Roſeboom, Mr. Sammons and Mr. Towner.

The engroſſed addreſs to his Excellency the Governor, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

SIR,

AMONG the afflictive diſpenſations of Divine Providence, none has been felt with greater ſenſibility by our common country, than the unexpected death of GEORGE WASHINGTON—the Father and Benefactor of the American People.

We, with you, mingle the tears of ſorrow, gratitude and love, upon the loſs of that virtuous and Great Man; who hath, in the cabinet and in the field, in public and in private life, attracted ſuch an uncommon degree of merited eſteem, confidence and admiration. Wherever wiſdom and virtue are reſpected, his memory will be cheriſhed, and poſterity will learn his character with wonder and applauſe. His example and admonitions are to us an invaluable legacy, and challenge the imitation and obſervance of the world. But, while we juſtly indulge in expreſſions of grief on this melancholy ſubject, we ought not to be unmindful of the other duties which claim our attention.

We learn with great ſatisfaction, that the amicable diſpoſition of the State of Connecticut towards this State, has deviſed and propoſed a meaſure ſo happily calculated to remove the cauſe of miſunderſtanding between them.

The proviſion for amendment in our federal conſtitution being of the higheſt importance to the political welfare of the United States, we deem it our duty to deviſe or approve every alteration in that compact which experience and ſound policy may dictate. The high reſpect we entertain for the State of Vermont is a ſure pledge for our deliberate conſideration of the reſolutions of its Legiſlature on this ſubject.

The independence of the executive and judicial officers of the ſtate, is of the utmoſt conſequence to a juſt execution of the laws and the impartial adminiſtration of juſtice. We therefore conſider permanence in the allowance to thoſe officers as intimately connected with the happineſs of our fellow-citizens, and highly neceſſary in order to the preſervation of the conſtitutional balance between the Departments of Government.

The impediments to paſſing ſtatutes of a public nature created by the numerous private laws which employ ſo large a portion of the time and attention of the Legiſlature, are too obvious to eſcape your notice. If any arrangement can be made, with due regard to the rights of our conſtituents, by which buſineſs of a leſs and more limited importance can be poſtponed to that of great and general moment, and the claims of individuals heard, examined and aſcertained, in ſome mode more eaſy to them and leſs expenſive to the State than by the Legiſlature, we will adopt it with alacrity.

The *difficulty* of duly eſtimating the conſequences of acts for private incorporations, and the *danger* of reſtraining or correcting the evils which may reſult from them, render it prudent to guard againſt the effects of curſory views and impreſſions, by previous publicity and deliberation.

It but too often happens, that opinions which appear unexceptionable in them
ſelves, are refuted by experience, and that innovations, derived from mere theor
produce more miſchief than they prevent. To exemplify the juſtice of this idea, n
inſtance can be cited with more pertinence than the act of this State for the trial
cauſes to the amount of ten pounds. Almoſt any experiment to avoid or leſſen th
miſchief ariſing from this branch of the judiciary ſyſtem, which promiſes the ſmalle
proſpect of ſucceſs, will be adviſeable. The modification which it has undergon
with reſpect to the city of New-York, by the important effects it has produced, in
ſpires us with hope that ſome new plan may be adapted to the other parts of th
State, happily calculated to remove the evils which at preſent exiſt.

Although our criminal code has been much ameliorated, we think with your Ex
cellency, it is yet ſuſceptible of improvement.

We ſincerely lament that all our efforts have not been adequate to the preſerv
tion of our principal city from the ſcourge of infectious diſeaſe. Although the min
has been exhauſted of theory and conjecture on the ſubject, the queſtion of its or
gin is ſtill involved in doubt. If an over-ruling providence is employing this in
ſtrument to accompliſh the purpoſes of moral government, it behoves us as a peo
ple to avert the indignation of heaven, by a thorough reform in national morals.

Rejoicing, and with great reaſon, in our general and encreaſing proſperity, which
under the Providence of the Almighty, is owing to a due execution of the laws, w
cannot but expreſs our warm indignation againſt the daring oppoſition which ha
repeatedly been made in the county of Columbia, to the judicial authority of th
State; while we deeply regret the occaſion, we firmly reſolve to enforce by a
means in our power, obedience and ſubmiſſion to the laws, and to protect our fe
low-citizens in the quiet enjoyment of their property.

The danger of being miſled into a ſtate of ill-founded ſecurity by fallacious pro
pects of peace, ſhould excite our attention to the means of maintaining our right
The judicious and ſeaſonable remarks of our patriotic Preſident, are verified by th
experience of mankind in every age, which atteſts, that thoſe people alone hav
preſerved their rights, who have been the moſt willing and able to defend them.

When we properly eſtimate the means of ſupporting rational liberty, the educ
tion of youth muſt appear an object of primary conſideration. Obſerving the ſu
ceſs which has crowned our endeavours to promote the intereſts of learning, we a
knowledge, with high ſatisfaction, the ſtrong claims of literary inſtitutions to th
patronage of the Legiſlature.

Animated by the ſentiments you have expreſſed, and influenced by your patriot
example in ſerving our common country, we indulge the pleaſing expectation, th
the reſults of this ſeſſion will correſpond with the high truſt and confidence repoſe
in us by our conſtituents.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker ſubſcribe the ſaid addreſs on behalf of the Houſe.

Reſolved, That the ſaid addreſs be preſented to his Excellency the Governor b
the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Bogert and Mr. Bruyn wait on his Excellency the Governo
and know when he will be pleaſed to be attended by this Houſe with their reſpec
ful addreſs.

Mr. Oothout, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill entitle
"An act to amend the Charter of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, in th
city of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee appointed on the part of this Houſe to conf
with a committee on the part of the Senate, to conſider the manner in which th
22d day of February, recommended by Congreſs to be ſet apart in commemor
tion of the virtues and talents of the late General George Waſhington, ought to b
obſerved on the part of the Legiſlature of this State, reported, That in their opinio
the day ought to be obſerved in a religious manner.

That it be recommended to the Chaplains of the two Houſes, to elect one of the
number to prepare and deliver a diſcourſe, on that day, ſuited to the occaſion,
ſuch place as they may agree upon.

That the members of the Legiſlature, with the Officers of the two Houſes, meet at their reſpective Chambers, at 11 o'clock on ſaid day, and go in proceſſion to the Church, and attend upon ſuch ceremonies as the Clergy may think expedient.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the Clerk deliver a copy of the preceding report to each of the Chaplains of this Houſe.

Mr. Riggs, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Bogert reported, that purſuantt to the order of the Houſe, Mr. Bruyn and himſelf had waited on his Excellency the Governor, to know when he would be pleaſed to be attended by this Houſe, with their reſpectful addreſs, and that his Excellency had appointed Tueſday next at twelve o'clock for the purpoſe, at the Tontine-Coffee-Houſe.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate delivered by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton was read, That the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſolution of yeſterday, relative to the appointment of a joint committee of both Houſes to conſider and report whether any, and if any, what alterations are neceſſary in the act entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," and that Mr. Hathorn, Mr. Strong and Mr. Gordon be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of the Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to form ſuch arrangements as may be proper with regard to the extra printing that may occur during the ſeſſion of the Legiſlature; and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Clinton, Mr. Gold and Mr. Vail be the committee on the part of the Senate.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until Tueſday next.

Reſolved, That Mr. Riggs, Mr. Comſtock and Mr. Wood be a committee to examine and report what proviſion ought to be made by law during the preſent ſeſſion for a reviſion of the public acts of the Legiſlature of this State, and for compenſation to the perſon or perſons who may be employed in making ſuch reviſion.

Mr. Maſters made a motion that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their reſolution entered into this day; that they will on Tueſday the 11th inſtant reſolve themſelves into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery."

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to the motion of Mr. Maſters, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. Wood made a motion for a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That no petitions for military lands ſhall be committed in this Houſe, but ſhall be conſidered and acted upon in the Houſe.

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed until Friday next.

Then the Houſe adjourned until eleven o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, eleven o'clock, A. M. February 3d, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to amend the Charter of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, in the city of New-York," and the bill, entitled "An act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of William Horton and William Horton, junior, relative to a farm or tract of land in the county of Weſtcheſter, purchaſed of the commiſſioners of forfeitures, was read, and referred to the Attorney-General, to report thereon.

A petition of Gilbert Livingſton and others, relative to eſtabliſhing a turnpike road in ſaid county, was read and referred to the members attending this houſe from the county of Dutcheſs.

A petition of the Board of Superviſors of the county of Oneida, praying that a

law may be paſſed authorizing them to raiſe the ſum of three thouſand dollars by a tax for the purpoſe of building a gaol in the ſaid county, was read, and referred to Mr. Manly, Mr. Sargent and Mr. Teed.

A petition of John Philip Belin Belair, praying a remiſſion of taxes, was read.

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

A petition of the Supervisors of the county of Herkimer, praying that a law may be paſſed authoriſing them to raiſe a further ſum of money for the purpoſe of repairing the court-houſe in ſaid county, was read, and referred to the members attending this Houſe from the county of Herkimer.

A memorial ſigned by Moſes Hetfield, as chairman, and David M. Weſtcott, as clerk, of a meeting of a number of freeholders and electors of the county of Orange, praying for certain reaſons therein ſet forth, that a law may be paſſed directing that the electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident may be elected by the people at large, was read; and a motion was made that the ſame be committed to a committee of the whole houſe.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Schuneman, ſeconded by Mr. Blake, were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Taber;
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren;
Mr. Field,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Watrous, 66
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Maſters,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towne,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelear,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swaftwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 34
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Rockwell,		

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the ſaid laſt mentioned petition be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Purſuant to the concurrent reſolutions of both Houſes of the Legiſlature, the Houſe proceeded openly to nominate a perſon to be Regent of the Univerſity of this State, in the room of Gulian Verplanck, Eſquire, deceaſed; and the members preſent ſeverally nominated as follows, viz.

	Samuel A. Barker.	Dirck Ten Broeck.	James Kent.	James Emott.
Mr. Adriance,			1	
Mr. Barker,			1	
Mr. Becker,		1		
Mr. Bill,		1		
Mr. Blake,			1	
Mr. Bogert,			1	
Mr. Bruyn,				1
Mr. Bull,		1		
Mr. Burnet,			1	
Mr. Burt,		1		
Mr. Butler,			1	
Mr. Cantine,			1	
Mr. Clark,		1		
Mr. Colvin,		1		
Mr. Comb,			1	
Mr. Comine,		1		
Mr. Denton,		1		
Mr. De Witt,			1	
Mr. Deitz,		1		
Mr. Doty,		1		
Mr. Emott,	1			
Mr. Everſon,			1	
Mr. Field,			1	
Mr. Floyd,		1		
Mr. Foit,		1		
Mr. Garnſey,			1	
Mr. A. Gilbert,		1		
Mr. E. Gilbert,			1	
Mr. Gilliland,			1	
Mr. Gray,		1		
Mr. Hall,		1		
Mr. Hallet,		1		
Mr. Halſey,		1		
Mr. Henry,			1	
Mr. Herkemer,		1		
Mr. Humfrey,		1		
Mr. Johnſon,		1		
Mr. Landon,			1	
Mr. Livingſton,		1		
Mr. Manley,		1		
Mr. Marvin,			1	
Mr. Maſters,		1		
Mr. M'Cord,		1		
Mr. M'Intyre,				1
Mr. M'Kinſtry,		1		
Mr. M'Kown,		1		
Mr. Meyer,		1		
Mr. Mills,		1		
Mr. Montfort,		1		
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	Dirck Ten Broeck.	James Kent.
Mr. Norton,		1
Mr. Noyes,	1	
Mr. Oothout,	1	
Mr. Oſtrom,	1	
Mr. Peck.		1
Mr. Pettit,	1	
Mr. Poſt,		1
Mr. Pratt,	1	
Mr. Riggs,		1
Mr. Rockwell,		1
Mr. Roſeboom,		1
Mr. Rutgers,		1
Mr. Ryers,		1
Mr. Sammons,	1	
Mr. Sargent,	1	
Mr. Savage,	1	
Mr. Schuneman,		1
Mr. Sharpe,	1	
Mr. Sherred,	1	
Mr. Sherwood,		1
Mr. Stiurdeff,	1	
Mr. Skidmore,	1	
Mr. A. Smith,		1
Mr. J. Smith,		1
Mr. N. Smith,	1	
Mr. Snell,	1	
Mr. Steenback,		1
Mr. Stillwell,	1	
Mr. Strong,		1
Mr. Swartwout,		1
Mr. Taber,	1	
Mr. Teed,		1
Mr. Ten Broeck,		1
Mr. Thurman,		1
Mr. Tinkham,	1	
Mr. Towner,		1
Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	1	
Mr. Van Renſſelaer,		1
Mr. Veeder,	1	
Mr. Verbryck,	1	
Mr. Warren,	1	
Mr. Watrous,	1	
Mr. Wattles,	1	
Mr. Williams,		1
Mr. Wood,		1
Mr. Woolſey,		1
	52	40

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, be and he is hereby nominated by this Houſe a Regent of the Univerſity, in the room of Gulian Verplanck, Eſquire, deceaſed.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clinton and M Foote, was read and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the Senate will immediately meet the Hon. the Aſſembly at ſuc place as they ſhall appoint, to compare their nomination of a Regent of the Unive ſity of this State, in the place of Gulian Verplanck, Eſquire, deceaſed.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will immediately meet the Senate in the Aſſembl Chamber, to compare their nomination of a Regent of the Univerſity of this Stat in the place of Gulian Verplanck, Eſquire, deceaſed.

Ordered, That Mr. Bull and Mr. Burnet deliver a copy of the preceding reſol tion to the Hon. the Senate.

The Hon. the Senate accordingly attended in the Aſſembly Chamber, to compa the nomination as aforeſaid, and the ſame being compared, it appeared that Jam Kent, Eſq. was nominated by the Senate, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſq. was nom nated by the Aſſembly. Thereupon

The Senate and Aſſembly proceeded to a joint ballot; and the ballots bei taken and counted, it appeared that James Kent, Eſq. was duly elected. Thereupo

Reſolved, That James Kent, Eſq. be, and he is hereby duly nominated and a pointed a Regent of the Univerſity of this State, in the room of Gulian Verplanc Eſq. deceaſed.

A petition of Samuel Jones and others, reſiding in Canaan, praying to be hea by themſelves or their counſel, at the bar of this Houſe, in anſwer to ſever charges againſt them contained in certain affidavits lately preſented to the Legiſl ture, was read, and referred to the joint committee of both Houſes, appointed conſider that part of his Excellency the Governor's ſpeech relative to the dari and violent oppoſition to the laws of this State in the county of Columbia.

Mr. Savage, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the S perviſors of the County of Waſhington, reported in favour of the petitioners, a obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to authoriſe the Supervisors the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein me tioned," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Everſon, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore give moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to avoid unn ceſſary delays of executions," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſeco reading.

Mr. Bill, according to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, mov for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to revive and ame the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſto which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his Private Secretar was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I have received, and herewith lay before you, two additional affidavits reſpecti the oppoſition made in Columbia county to the judicial authority of the State.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 3*d February*, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, together wi the affidavits therein mentioned, be referred to the joint committee of both Hou appointed to conſider that part of his Excellency the Governor's ſpeech which lates to the daring and violent oppoſition to the laws of this State in the county Columbia.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, en tled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the Circuit Court and Sittings, in the c and county of New-York," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Maſters, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled " act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery," ported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, eleven o'clock, A. M. February 4th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to avoid unneceſſary delays of executions, and to repeal the act therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act to reviſe and amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton," and the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the Superviſors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole houſe.

A petition of Aſel King, junior, and others, praying copies of ſundry papers and affidavits relative to the illegal conduct of certain inhabitants of the town of Canaan in the county of Columbia, was read: Thereupon

Reſolved, That the Clerk furniſh the petitioners with copies of ſuch of the ſaid papers as they ſhall require of him, on their paying him for the ſame.

A petition of Noah Mead and others, and a petition of Eliſha Folger and others, relative to a tract of land in the county of Waſhington, claimed by John Thurman, were ſeverally read and referred to Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bill and Mr. Johnſon.

A petition of Timothy Mills and others, relative to a tract of land of eighty ſquare miles in the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga, was read and referred to the Surveyor-General to report a ſtate of facts.

A petition of David Cook and others, actual ſettlers on the late Oneida Reſervation, relative to the intereſt due and accruing to the State on mortgages executed by the purchaſers of the ſaid Reſervation, was read and referred to the Comptroller to report a ſtate of facts.

A petition of Robert Armſtrong, late Treaſurer of the county of Orange, praying a remiſſion of money received by him for arrears of State taxes, and which was feloniouſly taken from him, was read and referred to Mr. Burt, Mr. Marvin and Mr. Landon.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, praying that a law may be paſſed, directing the mode and authoriſing the people of this State to chooſe electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States, and alſo for dividing the four great diſtricts of this State into other diſtricts for the election of Senators, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of William Arthur and others, of Brookhaven, in the county of Suffolk, and a petition of a number of the principal Indians of the Shinnecock tribe, reſiding within the ſaid county of Suffolk, were ſeverally read and referred to the members attending this Houſe from the county of Suffolk.

A petition of Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley, daughters of Robert M'Ginnis, deceaſed, praying that a certain part of the confiſcated eſtate of the ſaid Robert M'Ginnis, which has not been ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures, may be veſted in the petitioners, was read, and referred to Mr. Wattles, Mr. M'Kown and Mr. Shurtleff.

A petition of William Lighthall, late an officer in the continental army, praying a grant of bounty lands for military ſervices, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Samuel Freer, Chriſtopher Tappen and William Tremper, was read, and referred to the Attorney-General to report thereon.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the counties of Ulſter, Albany, Delaware, Schoharie, Otſego and Chenango, praying to be incorporated by the name of the Ulſter and Delaware Turnpike Road Company, for improving the road from Catskill Landing to the Suſquehannah river, was read, and referred to Mr. Bruyn, Mr. Conine, Mr. Wattles, Mr. Becker, Mr. King and Mr. Ten Broeck.

A petition of the ſuperviſors of the county of Orange, praying a law authorizing them to raiſe a ſum of money by tax for compleating the neceſſary repairs to the Court Houſe in ſaid county, was read and referred to the members attending this Houſe from the county of Orange.

A petition of the debtors confined in the gaol of the city and county of Albany, praying that a law may be paſſed for the relief of debtors, with reſpect to the impriſonment of their perſons, was read and referred to Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Sherwood and Mr. Watrous.

A petition of Ezekiel Lockwood, in behalf of himself and fifty-eight other actual ſettlers in the town of Jay, in the county of Eſſex, relative to the vacant and unappropriated lands in ſaid county, was read and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. King, Mr. Savage and Mr. Gilhland.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to authorize the ſupervisors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of the members attending this Houſe from the county of Waſhington.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to reviſe and amend the act entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of the members attending this Houſe from the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga.

Mr. Speaker then left the chair, and with the Houſe attended on his Excellency the Governor, with their reſpectful addreſs, according to his appointment, and being returned, he reſumed the chair, and reported,

That the Houſe had attended his Excellency the Governor with their reſpectful addreſs, and that his Excellency had been pleaſed to return an anſwer thereto, and to deliver him a copy thereof; which was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

Accept my acknowledgments for this addreſs. I am very ſenſible of the honor which it does me; and which the approbation of the repreſentatives of a free people always confers.

The harmony which happily ſubſiſts between the departments of the government, cannot fail to facilitate meaſures highly uſeful to the State, and to promote content and good will among the people. Nothing on my part ſhall be wanting to cheriſh theſe diſpoſitions; and to render them conducive to the beſt intereſts of our fellow citizens. JOHN JAY.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Owen Bennett, reported that no facts have come to their knowledge but what are mentioned in the ſaid petition, and a certificate which accompanies it; and that in their opinion, the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of John Truax, reported that no facts have come to their knowledge but what are contained in the ſaid petition, and the certificates and affidavit thereunto annexed; and that in their opinion the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Reſolved, That Mr. Savage, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Wood and Mr. A. Smith, be a committee to examine, and report what amendments and additions if any, are neceſſary to be made to the rules and orders of this Houſe.

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act authorizing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in the accounts of the commiſſioners of taxes," and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Shurtleff, from the ſaid committee, reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Shurtleff, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act to continue in force an act, entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 5th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to continue in force an act, entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Everſon, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act complying with the ac

Congreſs reſpecting, balances reported againſt certain ſtates by the com-ſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral ates," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Everſom, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the regulation and vernment of ſeamen of foreign veſſels," which was read the firſt time and order-a ſecond reading.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Thurman, praying a law appointing e firſt Tueſday in March for holding annual town meeting in ſaid town, was read d referred to the members attending this Houſe from the county of Waſhington.

A petition of Daniel Miller, David Warner and George Warner, praying a grant vacant lands in the county of Schoharie, was read and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. eder, Mr. Field, Mr. Savage and Mr. Gilliland.

A petition of Lois Dean, widow of Nathan Dean, was read and referred to the At-ney-General to report thereon.

A petition of a number of inhabitants of ſundry counties in this State, relative to e road between Albany and Schenectady, was read and referred to Mr. Winne, r. Clark, Mr. Humfrey, Mr. Williams, Mr. Manly, Mr. Hall, Mr. Norton and r. Butler.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Sen-e of the 1ſt inſtant, relative to appointing a joint committee of both Houſes to ke ſuch arrangements as may be proper with regard to the extra printing that may cur during the ſeſſion of the Legiſlature.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolu-on, and that Mr. M'Kown, Mr. Warin, Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Denton and Mr. t be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Barnet and Mr. Burt deliver a copy of the preceding reſolu-on to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims on the petition of Iſaac Sebring, ex-cutor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, reported, That the year 1775, the committee of aſſociation in the city of New-York, cauſed all cannon then in ſaid city belonging to private perſons, to be removed to Kings-dge, part of which cannon were loaned by order of the convention of the State, this committee to the ſtate of Connecticut, and have ſince been paid for; and the due were applied to the uſe of the United States, and charged to them in their ac-unts with this State.

That eleven pieces of cannon, the property of the petitioner, were, according to e documents examined by the committee, among the cannon thus removed.

That the value of the ſaid eleven pieces of cannon, according to the rate at which y were charged to the United States, is as follows:

2	9	Pounders	£.30	60
4	6	do.	25	100
5	4	do.	20	100
				£.260

Equal to ſix ndred and fifty dollars.

For farther ſtatement of facts, the committee beg leave to refer the Houſe to the port of the Comptroller, dated the 30th June, 1797, on the petition of Jabez unſon, a caſe exactly parallel to that of the preſent petition.

The committee, therefore, are of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner be anted; and that ſix hundred and fifty dollars be allowed to the ſaid Iſaac Se-ing, as a full compenſation for the ſaid eleven pieces of cannon.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims, on the petition of James Beeckman, ecutor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beeckman, deceaſed, reported, at the ſtatement of facts with reſpect to Mr. Sebring is applicable to the caſe of petitioner, the two caſes being exactly ſimilar, they therefore beg leave to refer the ſaid ſtatement.

It appears from the papers examined by the committee, that the ſaid Gerard

W. Beeckman owned five pieces of the cannon thus removed; that they were fi wounders, and according to the charge made by this State to the United State pere valued at twenty-five pounds each, which amounts to one hundred and twe ty-five pounds, equal to three hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents.

The committee, therefore, are of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner oug to be granted; and that there be allowed to the ſaid James Beeckman, three hun dred and twelve dollars and fifty cents, as a full compenſation for the ſaid five pi ces of cannon: Thereupon,

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a bill agreeably to the ſaid report.

Mr. A. Smith from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the tru tees and members of the church and congregation at Salem, in the county of We cheſter, reported, That they have maturely conſidered the facts ſtated in the ſai petition and believe them to be true, and are therefore of opinion that the pra er of the petitioners ought to be granted; that the committee have prepared a bi for that purpoſe, and have directed him to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame; lea being granted, Mr. Smith brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act to authorize th truſtees of the preſbyterian church and congregation of the town of Lower Salem, ſell and diſpoſe of lands for the benefit of the ſaid church," which was read the fir time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Sherred from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of the exe utors of Gilbert Saltonſtall, deceaſed, and of Mary Dean, reported, That it appea to the committee that the facts are as ſtated in the ſaid petitions reſpectively; th it would be proper in their opinion to grant relief to the ſaid petitioners and othe ſimilarly circumſtanced; that the committee have prepared a bill for that purpoſ and directed him to move for leave to bring in the ſame; leave being given, M Sherred brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "A act concerning the Court of Probates," which was read the firſt time and ordered ſecond reading.

Mr. Meyer from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ſuperv ſors of the county of Herkimer, reported, That the committee are fully ſatisfie that the fact ſtated in the petition is true, and therefore are of opinion that the pra er of the petitioners ought to be granted; that they have prepared a bill for th purpoſe, and directed him to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame; leave being give Mr. Meyer brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum money to be raiſed for the repairing the court houſe in the county of Herkimer which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Maſters from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "A act to amend the act entitled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery," repor ed that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read in the com mittee, the firſt enacting clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words follo ing, viz.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate an Aſſembly, That the fourth and fifth ſections of the act, entitled "An act for th gradual abolition of Slavery," paſſed March 29th, 1799, ſhall be and hereby a repealed.

That Mr. Evertſon made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to expun the words *fourth* and *fifth* from the ſaid clauſe; that debates aroſe on the ſa motion, and the queſtion having been put, it paſſed in the negative; that the ye and nays were called for by Mr. Ryerſs, ſeconded by Mr. Sharpe, and were as fo lows, viz.

For the Negative,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Woolſey, 65
Mr. A. Gilbert,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Doty,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Winne, 31
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Skidmore,	

That Mr. Wood then made a motion, that a clauſe ſhould be added to the ſaid bill, in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That every owner or proprietor of the mother of a negro or mulatto child born after the 4th of July laſt, ſhall give ſuch child years ſchooling between the age of and years, and ſhall file a certificate of ſuch ſchooling, ſigned by the overſeers of the poor, in the office of the town clerk. And if any owner or proprietor, who ſhall be entitled to the ſervices of ſuch child or children, ſhall neglect or refuſe to comply with this act, he, ſhe or they ſhall not be entitled to the ſervices of ſuch child or children, if a male, longer than the age of years, and if a female, than the age of years.

That Mr. Ryerſs made a motion, that the committee ſhould agree to an amendment as a ſubſtitute for the clauſe propoſed by the motion of Mr. Wood, in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That every maſter entitled to the ſervice of ſuch child ſhall give ſuch child ſchooling in a common ſchool, and ſhall ſend, if a male child, to ſome college in the State, for that purpoſe of completing his education, and ſhall afterwards take all the meaſures in his power to exalt him to ſome public ſtation.

That the queſtion being put whether the committee did agree to the motion of Mr. Ryerſs, it paſſed in the negative.

That Mr. Gray then made a motion for the previous queſtion, on the clauſe propoſed by the motion of Mr. Wood, and it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Henry, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Winne, 52

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey, 39
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	

Mr. Maſters further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Speaker laid before the Houſe ſundry returns of ſchools from ſeveral of the counties of this State.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee of the whole houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in the accounts of the commiſſioners of taxes," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Woolſey, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James Sebring, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of James Beeckman, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beeckman, deceaſed," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 6th, 1800.

The bill entitled "An act authoriſing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in the accounts of the Commiſſioners of taxes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Burt and Mr. Butler, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the ſame without amendment.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the gradual abolition of ſlavery, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Burt and Mr. Butler, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act complying with the act of Congreſs reſpecting balances reported againſt certain States, by the Commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral States," the bill entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court-houſe in the county of Herkimer," the bill entitled "An act for the regulation and government of ſeamen of foreign veſſels," the bill entitled "An act to authoriſe the Truſtees of the Preſbyterian Church and Congregation of the town of Salem to diſpoſe of lands for the benefit of ſaid Church," the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act concerning the court of Probates," and the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Iſaac Sebring, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of James Beeckman, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beeckman, deceaſed," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to authorize the Truſtees of the Preſbyterian Church and Congregation of the town of Salem to diſpoſe of lands for the

benefit of the ſaid church," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Weſtcheſter.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court houſe in the county of Herkimer," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Herkimer.

A petition of Frederick Beinhauer and Martin Smyth, aliens, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State, was read and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. A. Smith and Mr. Snell.

Mr. M'Intyre from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Comrie, reported, That by an article of agreement made and executed by Beriah Palmer, as agent and attorney for Iſaac Low, and by the petitioner, dated the 19th day of October, 1778, it appears that lot number two of the ſub-diviſion of lot number one of the 21ſt allotment of Kayaderoſſeras patent, containing 200 acres, was ſold to the petitioner for 12s. 6d. per acre, and that Mr. Palmer was bound to procure a conveyance for the ſame lot of land from under the hand and ſeal of Iſaac Low; or in caſe of confiſcation, that in ſuch caſe, the fee was to be ſecured to the petitioner by the State: In conſequence of which agreement, it appears from the affidavit of Beriah Palmer and from that of Robert M'Glaſhan, Charles Cameron and Archibald M'Intyre, together with a certificate of Daniel M'Intyre, that the petitioner took poſſeſſion of and made improvements on the ſaid lot of land, valued by ſome of the affidavits at £.126. That by a certificate ſigned by Jeremiah Van Renſſelaer, one of the commiſſioners of forfeitures for the weſtern diſtrict of this State, it appears that in conſequence of the attainder of Iſaac Low, which took place on the 22nd October, 1779, and the petitioner having no title veſted in him for the ſame lot of land other than the article of agreement entered into with Mr. Palmer, the lot of land referred to was ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures to James Caldwell, at public ſale, on the 16th day of September, 1785, for £.700. It appears alſo from the ſame certificate that the commiſſioners were of opinion that the lot ſold for at leaſt £.100 more in conſequence of the improvements of the petitioner. From the affidavit of Mr. Palmer, it alſo appears that he was of opinion that he ſold the land to the petitioner at its full value at that time, ſo that the committee from thence infer that the great difference between the original price and that received by the State, aroſe principally from the improvements of the petitioner. That from the ſaid affidavit of Mr. Palmer, and from thoſe made by Alexander Hay and John Walker, and from the certificates of Henry Wieſner and John Little, it appears that the petitioner was friendly to the American independence.

The committee are therefore of opinion that the petitioner is juſtly entitled to relief; that they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and have directed their chairman to move for leave to bring in the ſame; leave being given, Mr. M'Intyre brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Conyne from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ſuperviſors of the county of Delaware, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating the court houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Everſon, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the truſtees of Union College, reported, that upon examination it appears that after the completion of the College building, which is now in a very unfiniſhed ſtate, the funds of the inſtitution will be ſo much reduced that the actual capital will not exceed the ſum of three thouſand pounds or thereabouts, and that the annual expence of the preſent eſtabliſhment amounts to nearly the ſum of nine hundred pounds, and a neceſſary augmentation of expence by eſtabliſhing two profeſſorſhips will amount to the further annual expenditure of ſeven hundred pounds.

Wherefore, conſidering the great importance of ſaid inſtitution, the committee are of opinion that the prayer of the ſaid petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave be given to bring in a bill accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

Mr. M'Cord from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ſu perviſors of the county of Orange, reported that the facts therein ſtated, are tru and that in their opinion leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for the purpo men tioned in the ſaid petition; leave being granted, Mr. M'Cord brought in th ſaid bill entitled "An act authorizing the raiſing a ſum of money for repairing th court houſe and gaol in the county of Orange.

Mr. John Smith from the committee to whom was referred the petition of S muel Miller, of the city of New-York, reported, that in their opinion the facts f forth in the ſaid petition are true, and that the prayer thereof ought to be grante that they have accordingly prepared a reſolution which they offer for the conſ deration of the Houſe. The ſame was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) that the Secretary of this Sta be authorized to permit James Van Ingen to take certain volumes of the records this State, written in the Dutch language, in ſucceſſion, from the Secretary's offi to his own dwelling, in the city of Albany, for the purpoſe of making ſuch tranſl tions and extracts from them, as he, the ſaid James Van Ingen, ſhall deem uſef in aiding the rev. Samuel Miller in collecting materials for his hiſtory of New-Yor

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report

Thereupon, *Reſolved* (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) that the Secretary this State be authorized to permit James Van Ingen to take certain volumes of th records of this State, written in the Dutch language, in ſucceſſion, from the Secr tary's office, to his own dwelling, in the city of Albany, for the purpoſe of maki ſuch tranſlations and extracts from them, as he, the ſaid James Van Ingen, ſha deem uſeful in aiding the rev. Samuel Miller in collecting materials for his hiſto of New-York.

Ordered, That Mr. Burt and Mr. Butler deliver a copy of the preceding reſol tion to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee to whom was referred that part of the ſpee of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the compenſation of the officers the executive and judicial departments of this State, reported, That in their opi ion it is eſſential to the due adminiſtration of a government predicated on princip like that of this State, that the conſtitutional balance between the legiſlative, exec tive and judicial powers be perfectly entire, and their reciprocal checks on ea other, which the conſtitution has wiſely contemplated, be virtually preſerve They are of opinion, that the recent practice of gratuitous allowances by the L giſlature to the officers of the executive and judicial departments, is not conſiſte with the above obvious principles; that therefore the compenſation to the office aforeſaid ought not to be regulated by the caprice of circumſtances, but ſhould fu damentally reſt on a calculation, which notwithſtanding the fluctuating value of t neceſſaries of life, would at all times be circumſcribed by a prudent œconomy, b ſufficiently liberal to enſure in thoſe ſeveral departments the prevalence of pu maxims, and to render them at all times diſtinguiſhed as at the preſent day, for t wiſdom and integrity of their reſpective officers. That in the opinion of yo committee, a larger ſalary than the one now eſtabliſhed by law, ought to be a lowed to the officers of the ſaid departments. Impreſſed with thoſe ſentimen they have directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in bills for that purpo

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bills.

Mr. Doty, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An a to amend the charter of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch church in the city New-York," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agre to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Hou and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, whe it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, in behalf of Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whe Houſe on the bill entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the Circuit Court, a ſittings, in the city and county of New-York," reported, that the committee had go

through the bill, made amendments, added a clauſe, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Shurtleff, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office" which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Herkimer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to avoid unneceſſary delays of executions, and to repeal the act therein mentioned," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 7th, 1800.

Charles Williamſon, Eſquire, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the counties of Ontario and Steuben, appeared in the Aſſembly Chamber, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſq. Speaker of the Houſe, one of the commiſſioners appointed by a commiſſion in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem*, adminiſtered to him the oaths preſcribed by law.

Ordered, That Mr. Williamſon do take his ſeat.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to avoid unneceſſary delays of executions, and to repeal the act therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Ordered, That the queſtion on the paſſing of the ſaid bill be poſtponed until Monday next.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit court and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The bill entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money for repairing the court houſe and gaol in the county of Orange," the bill entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating the court houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," the bill entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office," and the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," were ſeverally read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money for repairing the court houſe and gaol in the county of Orange," and that the ſame be referred to the members from the county of Orange.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating the court houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," and that the ſame be committed to the member attending this Houſe from the county of Delaware, and Mr. Barker and Mr. Montfort.

A petition of Jeremiah Hotchkiſs and others, and a petition of Richard Mount and others, praying grants of vacant lands in the county of Waſhington, were ſeverally read and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Field, Mr. Savage and Mr. Gilliland.

A petition of Archibald Campbell, relative to a note of hand againſt Beverly Robinſon, whoſe eſtate has been confiſcated, was read and referred to Mr. Comb, Mr. Meyer and Mr. Teed.

A petition of the truſtees of Oxford Academy, in the county of Chenango, praying that a law may be paſſed, authorizing them to raiſe a ſum of money by lottery for the purpoſe of enabling them to erect and compleat a new building, their former one having been accidently burnt, was read and referred to the committee appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, relative to inſtitutions for the education of youth.

A petition of Deborah Kiſſam, of the city of New-York, widow of Peter R. Kiſſam, late of the ſame place, merchant, and of Richard S. Kiſſam and Samuel Kiſſam, brothers of the ſaid Peter R. Kiſſam, praying that an act may be paſſed enabling them to ſell the real eſtate of the ſaid Peter R. Kiſſam, for the purpoſes ſet forth in the ſaid petition, was read and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Bull and Mr. Riggs.

The Surveyor-General, to whom was referred the petition of Timothy Mills and others, reported, That a petition from the ſaid Timothy Mills and others, on the ſame ſubject and of the ſame tenor, was preſented to the Legiſlature in the year 1798, and referred to the Surveyor-General, whoſe report and the conſequent order thereon are inſerted in the printed Journal of the Aſſembly of that year, page 308, to which he begs leave to refer.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SIMEON DE WITT, *Surveyor-General*.

ALBANY, *7th February*, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Colvin, Mr. Deitz and Mr. Johnſon.

Mr. Wattles, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley, reported, That the petitioners ſtate that the property of their father, Robert M'Ginnis, at an advanced period in the late war was confiſcated, and a part thereof actually ſold in conſequence of his being convicted of adhering to the enemies of this State; that it appears by the certificate of a number of very reſpectable characters that the ſaid Robert never did take an active part againſt this country; the certificate alſo ſtates, that the ſaid Robert was a man of a peaceable, quiet and pacific turn of mind, and was generally ſo eſteemed by all his acquaintance; That in the year 1781 or 1782, lots No. 60 and 62, in Banyar and Wallace's patent, on the Suſquehannah river, were likewiſe confiſcated by virtue of ſuch conviction, that the ſaid lots were located by Thomas Palmer, then reſident at Newburgh, in Ulſter county, and that the ſaid lots were appraiſed at five ſhillings per acre by the commiſſioners of forfeitures; That owing to the neglect or refuſal of the ſaid Thomas Palmer, the terms of ſaid location were never complied with, and the ſaid two lots are conſequently unappropriated, and ſtill remain at the diſpoſal of the ſtate. That theſe circumſtances, together with other favorable ones, are recognized in the report of the Surveyor-General, on this ſubject. The petitioners pray that the Legiſlature will veſt in them ſuch of the property of the ſaid Robert as was confiſcated and remains ſtill unappropriated. The committee are of opinion, from a conſideration of all the circumſtances, that the right, title and intereſt of the people of this ſtate of in and to the property aforeſaid, ought to be veſted in the petitioners, on their paying the ſum at which the ſaid two lots were appraiſed as aforeſaid. That they have prepared a bill fort hat purpoſe, and have directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Wattles brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Reſolved, That Mr. Strong, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Rockwell, Mr. Johnſon, Mr. Burt, Mr. Thurman, Mr. Gray, Mr. Williamſon and Mr. Halſey, be a committee to enquire into the progreſs of manufactures in this State, and to report to this Houſe how far and in what manner there is a neceſſity for the Legiſlature to patronize and encourage ſaid manufactures.

Mr. Henry, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act to augment the funds of the truſtees of Union college," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee to whom was referred that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the amendment of the criminal law, reported, that in their opinion the alterations ſuggeſted by his Excellency would be proper, and that they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and directed him to move for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Wood brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act making alterations in the criminal law of this State, and for erecting State-priſons," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act reſpecting the ſalaries of the chancellor and judges of the ſupreme court," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution propoſed by Mr. Wood, on the firſt inſtant. The ſame was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That no petition for military lands be committed in this Houſe, but ſhall be conſidered and acted upon in the Houſe.

By conſent of the Houſe, Mr. Wood withdrew the ſaid reſolution, and ſubſtituted the following, viz.

Reſolved, That no petition for military bounty lands ſhall be committed until the principles be conſidered and agreed upon in the Houſe.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid reſolution, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit court and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, expunged a clauſe, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the regulation and government of ſeamen of foreign veſſels," reported, that after the committee had gone through the bill, and amended the title to read "An act giving certain powers to the magiſtrates of this State, in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice," the queſtion was put whether the committee did agree to the bill as amended, and it was carried in the affirmative. That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Thomas, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,	
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,	57
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr Norton,	Mr. Speaker,		
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,			

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,	
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Ryerſe,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,	40

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his plac and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to b the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Johnſon, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the court of probates," repor ed progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," reported progreſs, and obtain ed leave to ſit again.

A petition of John Livingſton and others, of the county of Columbia, relativ to a turnpike road from the ferry oppoſite the town of Catſkill to the town o Salisbury in the State of Connecticut, was read and referred to Mr. Henry, M Oothout, Mr. Van Benthuyſen, Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Emott, Mr. Stilwell and M Rockwell.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 8th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act giving certain powers to the magiſtrates o this State, in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit cou and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Cantine and Mr. Clark deliver the two laſt mentioned bil to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Ra chel Walmſley;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An a making alterations in the criminal law of this State and for erecting State-priſons; the bill, entitled "An act to augment the funds of the truſtees of Union college, i the city of Schenectady," and the bill, entitled "An act providing for the ſalarie of the chancellor and juſtices of the ſupreme court," were ſeverally read the ſecon time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Henry Ten Eyck, praying a grant of bounty lands for militar ſervices, was read and referred to Mr. Livingſton, Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Mott.

A petition of Conrad Pickerd and Harman Pickerd; a petition of Conra Klock and others, and a petition of John C. Moyer, ſeverally praying grants o vacant lands, were read and referred to Mr. King, Mr. A. Gilbert and Mr. N Smith.

A petition of Charles Hill, ſenior, in behalf of himſelf and others, relative t thoſe parts of the land in the Oneida reſervation yet unſold, was read and referre to the Surveyor-General to report thereon.

A petition of James Moore, was read, and referred to the commiſſioners appoint ed to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga.

Mr. Peck, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, move for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, enti tled "An act to aſcertain weights and meaſures within this State," which wa read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Marvin, purſuant to leave given by concurrent reſolutions of both Houſe of the Legiſlature at their laſt ſeſſion, brought in a bill, entitled "An act makin proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-meadow, known by th name of the "*Little Binne Water*," in the town of Walkill, in the county of Orang which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Meyer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitle "An act authoriſing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the coun houſe in the county of Herkimer," reported, that the committee had gone throug the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to re port to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame i at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Abel Smith, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the truſtees of the Preſbyterian church and congregation in the town of Salem, to ſell and diſpoſe of certain lands for the benefit of the ſaid church and congregation, reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Bruyn from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions, praying that a law may be paſſed to incorporate a company for the purpoſe of making a turnpike road from the town of Saliſbury in Connecticut, to Cattſkill ferry, and from thence to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river, reported, That in their opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted; that they have prepared a bill for ſuch purpoſe, and have directed him to move for leave to bring in the ſame; leave being given, Mr. Bruyn brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the line of the town of Saliſbury in the ſtate of Counecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A petition of Cotton Gelſton and others, relative to a turnpike road between the cities of New-York and Albany, was read, and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Oothout, Mr. Van Benthuyſen, Mr. Everſon, Mr. Emott, Mr. Stillwell and Mr. Rockwell.

Mr. Garnſey from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," reported, that after the ſaid bill had been read in the committee, Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to a proviſo to be added to the ſaid bill in the words following, viz.

Provided nevertheleſs, That the Comptroller ſhall be allowed as a compenſation for his ſervices and expences, including clerk hire, office hire and ſtationary, a ſalary of dollars, payable quarterly; and it ſhall be lawful for him to draw warrants on the treaſurer for the payment thereof, as the ſame ſhall become due.

That debates were had thereon, and the queſtion having been put whether the committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative. That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, ſeconded by Mr. Speaker, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles, 55
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 28

That Mr. Wood then made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to ſubſtitute the following in the lieu of the bill before them, viz.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That the act entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State, except ſuch part of the ſaid act as relates to the compenſation of the Comptroller, ſhall be, and hereby is continued in full force to all intents and purpoſes, for the term of years from the paſſing of this act.

And be it further enacted, That the Comptroller ſhall be allowed a compenſation for his ſervices and expenſes, including clerk hire, office hire and ſtationary, a ſalary of dollars a year, payable quarter yearly; and it ſhall be lawful for him to draw warrants on the Treaſurer for the payment thereof, as the ſame ſhall become due.

And be it further enacted, That the ſeventh ſection of the act hereby continued, ſhall be, and hereby is repealed.

That the queſtion having been put thereon it was carried in the affirmative.

That in proceeding in the bill ſo ſubſtituted, Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe thereto in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That no perſon, who ſhall be appointed Comptroller, ſhall exerciſe ſaid office and that of a Legiſlator at the ſame time. But in caſe he be elected to both offices he ſhall have his choice in which office he will ſerve.

That debates were had on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Comſtock, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 44

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren, 32

That in proceeding to fill up the blank in the ſaid bill relative to the annual ſalary to be allowed to the Comptroller, Mr. Oſtrom made a motion that the words *three thouſand two hundred* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Woolſey made a motion that the words *three thouſand* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Wood made a motion that the words *two thouſand ſeven hundred and fifty* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. N. Smith made a motion that the words *two thouſand five hundred* be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Savage made a motion that the words *two thouſand* be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. Oſtrom, it paſſed in the negative.

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. Woolſey, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr Verbryck,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,	55
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Snell,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,	
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey,	23
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Steenback,		

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. Wood, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Speaker, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Comb,	Or. Johnſon,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey,	49
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. N. Smith,		
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Snell,		
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. King,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,	31
Mr. Manley,	Mr. Oſtrom.	Mr. Stillwell,		

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. N. Smith, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Sharpe, ſeconded by Mr. Norton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey,	45
Mr. E. Gilbert,				

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,		

That Mr. Wood then made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to reco ſider their determination on the queſtion propoſed by the motion of Mr. N. Smi and the queſtion being put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That a motion was then made that the words *two thouſand five hundred* be inſert in the ſaid blank, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in t affirmative, and the words *two thouſand five hundred* were accordingly inſerted in t ſaid blank. Mr. Garnſey further reported, that the committee had gone throu the bill, made amendments, filled up the blanks, altered the title to read "An a to continue in force and to amend the act, entitled "An act for appointing a Com troller in this State," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to t Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the tab where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That Mr. Williamſon be added to the committee to whom have been ferred ſundry petitions relative to a turnpike road between the cities of New-Yo and Albany.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 10, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authorize the truſtees of the Preſbyteri church and congregation in the town of Salem, to ſell and diſpoſe of certain lan for the benefit of the ſaid church and congregation," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, and to amend the a entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," was read the thi time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to prevent unneceſſary delays of executio and to repeal the act therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to raiſed for repairing the court-houſe in the county of Herkimer," was read the thi time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Cantine and Mr. Clark deliver the four laſt mentioned bills the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving a making a road from the line of the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecti to Wattles's ferry, on the Suſquehannah river;" the bill, entitled "An act maki proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-meadow, known by t name of the *Little Binne Water*, in the town of Walkill, in the county of Orang and the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to aſcert weights and meaſures within this State," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, a committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Foote and M Frey, was read, that the Senate do concur with this Houſe, in their reſolution the 6th inſt. relative to permitting James Van Ingen to remove certain volumes Dutch records from the Secretary's office, to his own houſe, for the purpoſe making tranſlations therefrom.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Foote a Mr. Frey, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, that the Sen

have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of James Pine," and the bill, entitled " An act to pardon John Paſtano for murder," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Six ſeveral petitions from inhabitants of the towns of Windam, Catſkill and Woodſtock, in the county of Ulſter, and the town of Freehold and the ſouth part of the town of Coxſackie, in the county of Albany, praying that the towns aforeſaid may be erected into a new county, was read, and referred to Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Doty and Mr. Ryerſs.

A repreſentation of the inhabitants of the town of Aurelius, in the county of Cayuga, relative to the moſt ſuitable place for erecting a court-houſe and gaol in ſaid county, was read, and referred to Mr. Halſey, Mr. Wattles and Mr. Oſtrom.

A petition of Sheldon Graham and others, relative to eſtabliſhing a turnpike road between Catſkill landing and the Suſquehannah river, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the line of the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Suſquehannah river."

A petition of William Wickham, of the town of Goſhen, in the county of Orange, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled " An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-meadow, known by the name of the Little Binne Water, in the town of Walkill, in the county of Orange."

A petition of Iſaac Legget and others, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the petition of E. Folger and others, be diſcharged from any further conſideration thereof.

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Mexico, praying for a diviſion of the ſaid town, be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the ſaid petition, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw the ſame.

Mr. M'Cord, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled " An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money for repairing the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Orange," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Johnſon, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act concerning the court of probates," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, added a proviſo, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Norton, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Iſaac Sebring, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of James Beeckman, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beeckman, deceaſed," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office, reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place,

and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to b the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitle "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," reported, that in proceeding in th ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read in the committee, the firſt enactin clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate an Aſſembly, That the Comptroller of this State is hereby authorized and directed t draw his warrant on the Treaſurer thereof, in favor of Alexander Comrie, or hi legal repreſentatives, for the ſum of dollars, which he is directed to pa out of any monies in the treaſury, not otherwiſe appropriated.

That the queſtion being put whether the committee did agree to the ſaid firſ enacting clauſe, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Intyre, ſeconded by Mr Johnſon, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,		

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in hi place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agree to by the Houſe.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitle "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act making alterations in the crimina law of this State, and for erecting State-priſons," reported progreſs, and obtaine leave to ſit again.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," reported progreſs, and ob tained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 11th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of thi State in office," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money fo repairing the court houſe and gaol in the county of Orange," was read the thir time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act for the relief of Iſaac Sebring, executor o the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of James Beeckman

executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beekman, deceaſed," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act concerning the court of Probates," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Cantine and Mr. Clark, deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of James Pine," and the bill entitled "An act to pardon John Paſtano, for murder," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Thomas Sheldon, and a petition of John M'Maſter and others, aliens, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State, was read, and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Smith and Mr. Snell.

A petition of Theophilus Anthony, of the county of Dutcheſs, relative to a claim for an equal half of townſhip No. 22, in Totten and Croſsfield's purchaſe, was read and referred to Mr. Adriance, Mr. Emott and Mr. Savage.

A petition of Elizabeth Jackſon, of the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia, praying compenſation for the ſervices of her late huſband, William Henderſon, late a ſoldier in the continental army, was read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Sheldon Graham and others, praying for the erection of a new county, was read and referred to Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Doty and Mr. Ryerſs.

A petition of the debtors confined in the gaol of the county of Saratoga, was read and referred to Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Sherwood and Mr. Watrous.

A petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of Schenectady, praying an increaſe of power, was read and referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Sherred and Mr. Pettit.

A petition of John Cropoy and others, of Kings county, relative to the ſhad fiſhery, was read and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Fort and Mr. Skidmore.

Mr. M'Intyre, according to notice given by him yeſterday, made a motion that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their deciſion had yeſterday on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie."

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. M'Intyre then made a motion that the ſaid bill ſhould be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe; and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation, for improving and making a road from the line of the town of Saliſbury in the ſtate of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river," and that the ſame be committed to the committee appointed to take into conſideration that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations.

Ordered, That Mr. Williamſon be added to the ſaid laſt mentioned bill.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to pardon John Paſtano for murder," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Cantine and Mr. Clark deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the ſame without amendment.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee o the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " An act to augment the funds of the tru tees of Union college."

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitle " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act making alterations in the crimina law of this State, and for erecting State-priſons," reported, that in proceeding i the ſaid bill, Mr. Wood made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add clauſe thereto, in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the fourth and fifth ſections of the act, entitle " An act making alterations in the criminal law of this State, and for erecting State priſons, ſhall be, and hereby are repealed.

That the queſtion having been put on the ſaid motion, it paſſed in the negative

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. N. Smith, ſeconded by Mr. L vingſton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. Hallett,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Warrons,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Coninc,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,	

Mr. Swartwout further reported, that the committee had gone through the bil made amendments, added a clauſe, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directe to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered th ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " A act concerning judgments and recognizances of bail," reported further progreſ and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the furthe conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Riggs, Mr. Wood, Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Henr and Mr. Van Renſſelaer.

Mr. Wattles, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, move for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled " An act to prevent the deſtruc tion of fiſh in the Delaware river," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſe cond reading.

Ordered, That Mr. Pettit have leave of abſence for four days.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 12th, 1800.

The bill, entitled " An act to prevent the deſtruction of fiſh in the river Dela ware," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe

A petition of John Keeſe, and of Catharine Tillinghaſt, widow of Charles Til linghaſt, deceaſed, praying grants of land for military ſervices, and a petition o Samuel Avery, praying a grant of lands, were ſeverally read and referred to th committee of claims.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Union, praying a diviſion of ſaid town, was read and referred to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Verbryck and Mr. Snell.

A petition of Jonathan Cooley, ſupervisor of the town of Cornwall, in the county of Orange, praying a law to prevent perſons from cutting or carrying away trees on the roads and wharves contiguous to the landing places on Hudſon's river, was read, and referred to Mr. Burnet, Mr. Comb, Mr. Bull, Mr. Peck and Mr. De Witt.

A petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty, of the city of New-York, praying that a law or laws may be paſſed for ſundry purpoſes in the ſaid petition ſet forth, was read and referred to Mr. Bogert, Mr. Sherred and Mr. Everſon.

A petition of Elias Quereau, of the county of Weſtcheſter, was read, and referred to the Attorney-General to report his opinion thereon.

A petition of Peter Fuller and others, inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, ſtating that they are ſettled, and have made improvements, on lands belonging to individuals, and praying that the owners of ſaid lands may be compelled to pay and compenſate the petitioners for their improvements, was read.

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Frey and Mr. Ganſevoort, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent," paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Roſeboom, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Stockbridge Indians, reported, that the facts ſtated in the ſaid petition are true, and that in the opinion of the committee leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for their relief.—Leave being given, Mr. Roſeboom brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the petition of the truſtees of Oxford academy, be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid petition, and that the ſame be referred to the regents of the univerſity.

Reſolved, That Mr. Sargent, Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. Teed, be a committee to conſider whether any, and if any, what proviſion is neceſſary reſpecting the regiſtering of deeds and conveyances of real eſtates, and to report by bill or otherwiſe.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of William Horton, and William Horton, junior, reported,

That Rachel Palmer, the widow of Lewis Palmer, whoſe eſtate was forfeited by his attainder, and was ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures of the ſouthern diſtrict of this State, in the term of July, 1798, commenced ſuits againſt William Horton, Aaron Carman, Jonathan Travis, Jonathan Loder and William Horton, junior, for the recovery of her dower, in the lands, whereof they were ſeized under the aforeſaid ſale. That the ſaid ſuits were defended by the Attorney-General, but judgments were rendered thereon in favour of the demandant, in the term of October laſt, in the Supreme court of this State, and that writs of ſeiſin have been iſſued on the ſame judgments, and executed. That previous to the commencement of the ſaid ſuits, it was propoſed to the demandant to accept a compenſation for her ſaid claim, on the principles adopted by the Legiſlature, in their concurrent reſolutions of the 3d and 4th April, 1792, which propoſal was rejected. That according to thoſe principles ſhe would have been entitled to have received the ſum of eight hundred and forty-five dollars, ſeventy-four cents, in ſatisfaction of her claim of dower in the lands reſpectively occupied by the perſons above named, in the following proportions: For the farm occupied by William Horton and William Horton, jun. the ſum of two hundred and ninety-one dollars, ſixty-two cents: For the farm occupied by Aaron Carman, the ſum of three hundred and fifty dollars: For the farm occupied by Jonathan Travis, one hundred and ſixteen dollars, ſixty-two cents, and for the farm occupied by Jonathan Loder, eighty-ſeven dollars and fifty cents. That ſubſequent to the rendering of the judg-

ments aforeſaid, ſhe offered to the Comptroller, the Surveyor-General and the A torney-General, commiſſioners for ſettling demands againſt forfeited eſtates to a cept in ſatisfaction of her aforeſaid claim, the ſum of two thouſand one hundr and fifty dollars, with her coſts of ſuit. The commiſſioners did not heſitate to r ject this offer, not only as being exorbitant, but becauſe they judged a departu from the limitation preſcribed in the above mentioned concurrent reſolutions woul be injurious to the intereſt of the State, and might afford a pretext to ſimilar clai ants, for the like demand, and thereby impede and embarraſs all future arrang ments of the dower claims againſt forfeited property.

The queſtion now reſults, in what manner ought the purchaſers under the Sta to be compenſated for the injuries they have reſpectively ſuſtained. There can b no doubt that the State, in juſtice, ought to indemnify them—the extent of ſuc indemnity muſt reſt in the diſcretion of the Legiſlature. In the opinion of the A torney-General, it ought, *at leaſt*, to be equal to the ſum Rachel Palmer woul have been entitled to have received, in purſuance of the before ſtated concurre reſolutions.

It is proper to remark, that the petitioners, and the other purchaſers, have, of n *ceſſity*, incurred ſome expence in and about the defence of theſe ſuits; and it ha been ſuggeſted that, in conſequence of extenſive improvements made by them o the property, they are materially injured by the effects of the judgments. Thes ſuggeſtions are probably founded in truth, and in the opinion of the Attorney General, it would comport with the juſtice of the Legiſlature, to grant a compenſa tion for ſuch expences and injuries, as far as the ſame can with probable certaint be aſcertained.

Although the preſent application is preferred only by William Horton and Wil liam Horton, junior, the Attorney-General has conceived it proper to ſtate all th circumſtances connected with their claim, as the ſame rule of compenſation wi equally apply to all the above named defendants.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, February 11th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Tibbits, Mr. A Smith and Mr. Maſters.

Mr. Riggs, from the committee appointed for the purpoſe, brought in a bill, en titled "An act providing for the erection of new towns, and altering the boundar lines between towns before erected," which was read the firſt time, and ordered ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, according to notice heretofore given, made a motion, that th Houſe ſhould reconſider their deciſion of yeſterday, relative to the bill, entitle "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act making alterations in the crimina law of this State, and for erecting State-priſons."

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the af firmative.

Mr. Woolſey, then made a motion, that the ſaid bill ſhould be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe; and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was alſo carried in the affirmative. Thereupon

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid bill, and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Swartwout from the ſaid committee reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made an amendment and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to re-port to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act to increaſe the funds of Union college, in the city of Schenectady," and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speak-

er resumed the chair, and Mr. Oothout, from the said committee, reported, that in proceeding in the said bill, Mr. Comstock made a motion, that the committee should agree to add a clause thereto in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the act, entitled "An act for the encouragement of schools," passed the 9th day of April, 1795, be, and the same is hereby continued in force for the term of years from and after the passing of this act.

That debates were had on the said motion, and the question having been put thereon, it passed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comstock, seconded by Mr. Schuneman, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. King,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr Deitz,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Rensselear,
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamson,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolsey, 52

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous, 39
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	

That in proceeding to fill up the blanks in the said bill, the first enacting clause thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, That dollars be, and the same is hereby given to the trustees of Union college, in the town of Schenectady, for the purpose of completing the college edifice which the said trustees have raised in the said town, and of establishing an adequate and permanent fund for the support of such professorships as are, or may be instituted in the said college.

That a motion was made, that the blank in the said bill should be filled up with the words *thirty thousand*. That the question having been put thereon, it passed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, seconded by Mr. Burnet, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles, 64

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Everetſon,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. Henry,			25

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words *twenty-five thouſand.* And the queſtion having been put thereon, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words *twenty thouſand.* And the queſtion having been put thereon, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words *fifteen thouſand.* And the queſtion having been put thereon, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words *twelve thouſand.* And the queſtion having been put thereon, it alſo paſſed in the negative.

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words *ten thouſand.* And the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative, and the words *ten thouſand* were accordingly inſerted in the ſaid blank.

Mr. Oothout reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Riggs moved for, and obtained the unanimous conſent of the Houſe, to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to cede to the United States the juriſdiction of certain Iſlands in the port and harbour of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole houſe.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 13th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act making alterations in the criminal law of this State, and for erecting State-priſons," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Cantine and Mr. Comb deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land;" the bill, entitled "An act providing for the erection of new towns, and altering the boundary lines between towns before erected," and the bill, entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Nicholas Aldridge and 1125 others, inhabitants of the counties of Albany, Montgomery, Herkimer and Oneida, praying a law for eſtabliſhing a turnpike company for improving the road between the city of Albany and the town of Utica, was read, and referred to the committee appointed to take into conſideration ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to introducing bills for private incorporations.

A petition of Thomas Stafford and others, inhabitants of the county of Eſſex, praying grants of vacant lands, was read, and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Teed, Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Savage.

A petition of Clark Wynans, of the county of Tioga, praying a grant of certain lands in ſaid county, was read, and referred to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Mills.

A petition of David Schauper, and a petition of Richard Freeman, praying grants

of bounty lands, for military ſervices, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of John Denny, praying a grant of bounty lands, was read, and referred to Mr. M'Intyre, Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. Becker.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of Nehemiah Mead and others, and of John Thurman, reported, That Ebenezer and Edward Jeſſup did purchaſe of the native Indians, in July, 1772, agreeable to the exiſting laws of the then Colony, now State, of New-York, a tract of land, of which the land mentioned in the ſaid petitions are a part.

That the ſaid Ebenezer and Edward Jeſſup did convey to the ſaid John Thurman their Indian title to the ſaid land, being all the land lying between the two branches of the Hudſon river, and between the townſhip of Hyde and Totten, and Croſsfield's purchaſe, for a valuable conſideration.

That patents did iſſue, on the 18th October, 1775, to Charles Sherif, Francis Panton, James Rogers and Jeremiah Chicheſter, for 6,850 acres of the ſaid tract, and that, for the remainder, being about 3,000 acres, no patent has iſſued, as appears from the report of the Surveyor-General.

That ſome of the ſaid patentees did convey to the ſaid John Thurman, and others gave him powers of attorney, to convey, in their names, the whole of the ſaid 6,850 acres, patented as aforeſaid.

That the ſaid John Thurman is poſſeſſed of locations, with powers of attorney, from James Bailey and Gertrude Penhorn, to cover the ſaid 3,000 acres.

That the ſaid John Thurman made agreements with about 40 ſet tlers, who moved on the ſaid tract, and have made large improvements thereon.

That it appears to the committee, that the ſaid John Thurman is veſted with an equitable title to the ſaid land.

That it further appears to the committee, that a mutual agreement was entered into between the ſaid John Thurman, of the one part, and Nehemiah Mead and others, ſettlers as aforeſaid, of the other part, on the firſt day of March, 1799, reſpecting the ſaid land, which appears to be ſtill binding on the ſaid Thurman.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petitions be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I herewith lay before you a copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the commiſſioners appointed in and by an act of the Legiſlature of this State, entitled "An act to cede the juriſdiction of certain lands in this State to the United States."

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 13th February, 1800.

The copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the commiſſioners referred to in the ſaid meſſage was alſo read, and is in the words following, viz.

At a meeting of the commiſſioners, appointed in and by an act of the Legiſlature of the State of New-York, paſſed 6th of April, 1798, entitled "An act to cede the juriſdiction of certain lands in this State to the United States," held at the City-Hall of the city of Albany, on Tueſday, the 11th of February, 1800.

PRESENT,

His Excellency JOHN JAY, Eſquire, Governor,
The Honorable STEPHEN VAN RENSSELAER, Eſquire, Lieutenant-Governor,
The Honorable ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON, Eſquire, Chancellor,
The Honorable JOHN LANSING, Junior, Eſquire, Chief Juſtice.

His Excellency the Governor laid before the Board, a draft of a deed, prepared by the Attorney-General, ceding the juriſdiction of this State to certain Iſlands in the North and Eaſt rivers, near the city of New-York, to the United States, with certain acts of Congreſs, and of the Legiſlature of this State, relative to that ſubject. Which being read, the Board proceeded to take the ſame into conſideration, and after ſome time ſpent thereon,

Reſolved, That the further conſideration thereof be poſtponed until to-morro morning, nine o'clock.

Wedneſday, February 12th, 1800.

The Board met purſuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

His Excellency JOHN JAY, Eſquire, Governor,
The Honorable STEPHEN VAN RENSSELAER, Eſquire, Lieutenant-Governor,
The Honorable ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON, Eſquire, Chancellor,
The Honorable JOHN LANSING, Junior, Eſquire, Chief Juſtice.

His Excellency the Governor informed the board that fortifications had been e rected, partly at the expence of the United States, and partly at the expence of thi State, on Governor's Iſland and Oyſter Iſland. That he was informed that ſom fortifications would be judged requiſite on Bedlow's Iſland, but nothing of impor tance had as yet been done on that Iſland. That theſe fortifications being for th defence of the port and harbour of New-York, he ſubmitted to them whether th juriſdiction of thoſe Iſlands ſhould not be ceded to the United States, in purſuanc of, and within the limitations preſcribed by the ſtatutes of the United States, and o this State, on the ſubject.

His Excellency further informed the board, that directly after the paſſing th act of this State, authoriſing ſuch ceſſions, he had ſent a copy of it to the Secreta ry at War, and requeſted him to deſignate the places in and about the city of New York, which it would be judged neceſſary to fortify, to the end that a proper ceſſio of juriſdiction relative to ſuch places might be made. That he has not receive ſuch information from the Secretary at War, which he preſumes may be imputed to the queſtion whether this ſtate would, or would not, adopt the propoſitions o the United States relative to balances.

That underſtanding, from ſome of the members of the Legiſlature, that a bil was preparing for adopting thoſe propoſitions, and with a probability of ſucceſs, and that a ceſſion of the juriſdicton of the places already fortified, would be neceſ ſary to be made by the 15th of this month, he convened all the commiſſioners, ex cept the Mayor of New-York, who was at too great a diſtance to be ſummoned and to arrive here in ſeaſon.

The board then proceeded to the further conſideration of the ſubject, and afte ſome time ſpent thereon, it was decided on as follows :

The Honorable the Lieutenant-Governor gave his aſſent to the propoſition fo ceding to the United States, the juriſdiction of the Iſlands, in the North and Ea rivers, near the city of New-York, commonly called Governor's, Bedlow's, an Oyſter Iſlands, for the purpoſe of erecting fortifications thereon, for the defence o the port and harbour of New-York.

The Honorable the Chancellor objected to giving his aſſent, and delivered hi reaſons in writing, in the words following, to wit.

Becauſe, the law having paſſed near two years ago, when the Legiſlature wer apprehenſive of an immediate war, there is reaſon to ſuppoſe, that now, when th danger is no longer apprehended, they would not chuſe to inveſt ſo great a powe in the commiſſioners.

Becauſe, Governor's Iſland, containing about ſeventy acres of land, Congre may eſtabliſh ſuch a government in it, and give ſuch privileges, as may interfer at ſome future period, with the eſſential, political and commercial intereſts of tha city. The conſtitution of the United States ſetting no limits to their power withi places ſubject to their juriſdiction.

Becauſe, ſuppoſing the Iſlands to be the only points from which the city o New-York can be defended, if the excluſive juriſdiction is ceded to the Unite States, and they ſhould neglect to defend the ſame, the city muſt be left totall defenceleſs.

Becauſe, this being a matter purely in the diſcretion of the State, and not claim ed of right by Congreſs, unleſs the advantages to be derived from it are very ev dent, the State cannot juſtify a relinquiſhment of any part of their territories.

Becauſe, as members of the Union, we are entitled to protection, and defence, without being compelled to purchaſe it by a relinquiſhment of any of our rights.

Becauſe, though the law, under which we ſit, has been in force nearly two years, yet we never have, till five days before it muſt be carried into effect, been conſulted ed on the ſubject, nor had any opportunity of making the enquiries on which our judgment ſhould be founded, ſo that it becomes impoſſible to comply with the terms of it, by conveying by metes and bounds, and we are thus driven, if we convey at all, to give the whole of the Iſlands, though ſome parts of them may be unneceſſary for fortifications.

Becauſe, having no ſurveys or plans before us, we are unable to ſay, whether the Iſlands, propoſed to be ceded, are the ſpots on which fortifications may be moſt advantageouſly erected for the defence and ſafety of the city.

Becauſe, the Mayor of the city of New-York, who may be ſuppoſed beſt to underſtand its intereſts, has not been called upon to give his opinion on the ſubject.

The Honorable the Chief Juſtice alſo objected to giving his aſſent, and delivered his reaſons in writing, in the words following, to wit.

Becauſe, the Mayor of the city of New-York, who is one of the commiſſioners, has not been notified to attend. The evident intention of the law, which has veſted in the commiſſioners a diſcretion, being that it ſhould be exerciſed jointly, though in the reſult three may make the ceſſion.

Becauſe, the commiſſioners are not poſſeſſed of any plan or ſyſtem of defence, or ſurvey, from which the expediency of making ſuch ceſſion, as connected with the only objects on which the commiſſioners are authoriſed to act, the ſafety and defence of the city and port of New-York, can be inferred. The few days in which the commiſſioners are called upon to determine on this important meaſure, precludes the poſſibility of obtaining that accurate information which is neceſſary to direct the exerciſe of the diſcretion veſted in them by law.

STATE OF NEW-YORK, *Secretary's Office, 12th February*, 1800.

I certify the preceding to be a true copy of the minutes.

DANIEL HALE, *Sec'ry.*

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, and the papers accompanying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to cede to the United States the juriſdiction of certain Iſlands in the port and harbour of New-York.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, and to amend the act, entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," with the amendments therewith delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed until tomorrow,

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act to cede to the United States the juriſdiction of certain Iſlands ſituate in and about the harbour of New-York," and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Floyd, from the ſaid committee, reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, the firſt enacting clauſe thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That the following Iſlands, in and about the harbor of New-York, and in and about the fortifying of which, this State hath heretofore expended or cauſed to be expended large ſums of money, to wit, all that certain Iſland called Bedlow's Iſland, bounded on all ſides by the waters of the Hudſon river—all that certain Iſland, called Oyſter Iſland, bounded on all ſides by the waters of the Hudſon river—and all that certain Iſland, called Governor's Iſland, on which Fort Jay is ſituate, bounded on all ſides by the waters of the Eaſt river and Hudſon river, ſhall hereafter be ſubject to the juriſdiction of the United States: Provided, That this ceſſion ſhall not extend to prevent the execution of any proceſs, civil or cri-

minal, iſſuing under the authority of this State, but that ſuch proceſs may be ſerve and executed on the ſaid Iſlands reſpectively, any thing herein contained notwith ſtanding.

That debates were had thereon, and the queſtion having been put whether th committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	

For the Negative,

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Snell,	

Mr. Floyd, further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, an agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he rea the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was agai read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. King, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act complying with the act of Congreſs, reſpecting balances reported againſt ce tain States, by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the U nited States and the ſeveral States," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit agai

Mr. Gilbert, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, mov ed for, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act altering the tim for electing repreſentatives for this State in the Houſe of Repreſentatives of th Congreſs of the United States of America," which was read the firſt time, and or dered a ſecond reading.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any furthe conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James Pine," and tha the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. A. Smith, Mr. Co vin and Mr. Rockwell.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 14th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to cede to the United States the juriſdic tion of certain Iſlands ſituate in and about the harbour of New-York," was rea the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Conine and Mr. Denton, deliver the bill to the Hon. th Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act altering the time for electing Repreſentatives for this State, in the Houſe of Repreſentatives of the United States of America," was read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of John F. Haman, of the county of Ulſter, a petition of Peter Mills, of the county of Orange, a petition of Lodowick Hoornbeck, of the county of Ulſter, and a petition of Catharine Welſh, widow of Edward Welſh, deceaſed, ſeverally praying grants of bounty lands, were read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Robert Scott and Hannah his wife, was read and referred to the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga.

A petition of Henry Buſh, praying a grant of certain lands in the county of Tioga, was read and referred to Mr. Tinckham, Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Mills.

A petition of Joſhua Patrick and others, of the county of Cayuga, was read and referred to the Comptroller, to report a ſtate of facts thereon.

A petition of John Lanſing, and a petition of Gilbert Dench, were ſeverally read and referred to the Attorney-General to report thereon.

A petition of William Milbank, a petition of Andrew Smith, and a petition of Samuel S. Summers, ſeverally praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State, were read and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. A. Smith and Mr. Snell.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Gettman and Mr. Gold, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to amend the Charter of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, in the city of New-York," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Denton and Mr. De Witt, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Gettman and Mr. Gold, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office," with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments being read a ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Doty and Mr. Emott, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in the amendments of the Hon. the Senate, and amended the bill accordingly.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of Lois Dean and the petition of Samuel Freer and others, reported,

That by an act of the Legiſlature entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," paſſed 31ſt March, 1795, the commiſſioners of the land-office were directed to grant letters patent to Nathan Dean and Squire Whitaker, for ſix hundred acres of land, on their paying into the Treaſury ſix hundred dollars to be applied in the manner directed by the ſaid act. That on the ninth day of February, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, they paid the ſaid amount into the Treaſury. The commiſſioners of the land-office thereupon, on the twelfth day of March laſt, ordered that the Secretary prepare letters patent for the ſaid ſix hundred acres of land, and that he ſubmit the ſame, together with the return of the Surveyor-General, to the board for their approbation. That on the 11th March laſt, as is ſtated in the firſt petition, part of the ſix hundred acres, which had been for ſome time previous thereto, occupied and improved by Nathan Dean, was ſold on an execution by the Sheriff of Tioga, to Willian D. Delamater, in behalf of the firſt named petitioners, for one thouſand ſix hundred and ten dollars. That the ſame petitioners were judgment creditors of the ſaid Nathan Dean, but the ſale of the Sheriff was in virtue of prior judgments. That in purſuance of the reſolution of the commiſſioners of the land-office letters patent were prepared by the Secretary of State, and approved of by the Attorney-General, but previous to the enſuing meeting of the board, it was aſcertained that Nathan Dean had died on the third day

of March laſt, ſubſequent to the payment into the Treaſury, and prior to the reſolution directing letters patent to iſſue.

The petition of Lois Dean, ſtates that the property was ſold by the Sheriff, for much leſs than its real value, and that Nathan Dean, has left five infant children, named in the petition, and that from the profits of the land and the improvements thereon, ſhe will ſoon be enabled to ſatisfy all the creditors of her late huſband, and maintain and educate her children.

On thoſe facts the petitioners, Chriſtopher Tappen, Samuel Freer and William Tremper pray, that letters patent may be directed to iſſue to bear date on the 9th day of February laſt, or that the Legiſlature will by law, declare the title of Nathan Dean to have been veſted on that day. The petitioner Lois Dean is deſirous, that the premiſes ſhould be granted to her, or to Truſtees, with power to ſell the ſame for the benefit of *all* the creditors of her deceaſed huſband, and for the maintenance and education of her children.

From the foregoing facts, it reſults that the ſale by the Sheriff, no legal title to the premiſes being ever veſted in Nathan Dean, is void, the claim of the purchaſers, if valid, muſt be conſidered ſo merely on principles of equity, but as the judgments were no lien on the property, the claims of all the creditors are equally juſt and none of them are entitled to any preference.—The Attorney-General cannot diſtinguiſh the preſent from other caſes, where individuals purchaſe defective titles.

For theſe reaſons and inaſmuch as the purchaſers at the ſale, made by the Sheriff have a legal remedy to obtain the payment of the purchaſe money, if the ſame has been paid, and inaſmuch as granting the prayer of the petition might derogate from the rights of third perſons, particularly of infants, any Legiſlative act confirming the ſale, would, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, be improper.

The letters patent not having iſſued, and the act recited not authoriſing a grant of the fee, but by a conſtruction ſtrictly legal confining the grant to a life eſtate only, the Legiſlature may with propriety ſo amend the act as will beſt promote the ends of juſtice. By directing the grant to be in truſt for the payments of the debts of Nathan Dean, and the overplus, if any there ſhall be, to be applied for the benefit of his children, all interference with adverſe claims will be avoided, the equitable rights of creditors preſerved, and the intereſt of the children promoted. In the opinion of the Attorney-General, therefore, ſo much of the petition of the ſaid Lois Dean as prays the aforeſaid property may be veſted in truſtees for the purpoſe therein ſpecified, ought to be granted.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOS. OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Ordered, That the ſaid report together with the ſaid petitions be referred to Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Hallet and Mr. Everſon.

The Houſe proceeded to take into conſideration the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill entitled "An act to continue in force, and to amend the act entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State." The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments were read the ſecond time, one of the ſaid amendments was to expunge the ſecond clauſe of the bill which provides that the ſalary of the Comptroller, including clerk hire, office hire and ſtationary, ſhall be two thouſand five hundred dollars per annum, inſtead of the ſum of three thouſand dollars, heretofore allowed,

Debates were had thereon, and the queſtion being put whether the Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their amendments, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Bi[illegible] and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halfey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Winne, 69
Mr. Garnſey,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Rutgers,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 25
Mr. E. Gilbert,			

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. Senate in their amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Dietz and Mr. Doty deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Verbryck, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Poſt and others, reported, That in the opinion of the committee the act, entitled "An act to keep in repair certain private roads in Orange town, in the county of Orange," now county of Rockland, operates hard and unequal on part of the proprietors of certain ſalt meadow, and that in the opinion of the committee they are entitled to relief. That they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and have directed him to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Verbryck brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for keeping in repair certain private roads in Orange town, in the county of Orange, paſſed the 10th February, 1797," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Hanſon, reported, That a ſtatement of facts, relative to the claim of this petitioner, appears in a report of the Comptroller, which is entered on the Journals of 1798, folio 118. To this report, as well as to the report of the Attorney-General, made the 11th February, 1797, and entered on the Journals of that year, folio 116, the committee reſpectfully beg leave to refer the Houſe.

The committee have received information, which they believe to be accurate, that this petitioner is advanced in years, and dependant on the bounty of her friends for her ſubſiſtence.

The committee, conſidering the well founded claim of the petitioner, are of opinion that ſhe is entitled to relief, and have directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in a bill for this purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Wattles, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money for compleating the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware, reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act to pardon John Paſtano, for murder," and the bill entitled "An act authoriſing the Comptroller to allow certain charges in the accounts of the commiſſioners of taxes," ſhould reſpectively become laws of this State.

Mr. A. Smith, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James Pine," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Savage, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſuperviſors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the report of the committee on the petitions of Nehemiah Mead and others, and of John Thurman, which report is inſerted in the Journal of this Houſe of yeſterday; and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Shurtleff, from the ſaid committee, reported, That the committee had agreed to a reſolution, which was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill for the diſpoſition of certain lands mentioned in the petitions of Nehemiah Mead and others, and of John Thurman, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill for the diſpoſition of certain lands mentioned in the petitions of Nehemiah Mead and others, and of John Thurman, and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Henry, Mr. Van Benthuyſen, Mr. Rutgers and Tibbits, be of the ſaid committee.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act to aſcertain weights and meaſures within this Strte," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That Mr. King and Mr. Garnſey, reſpectively, have leave of abſence for eight days.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 15th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James Pine," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Emott and Mr. Field deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the ſame without amendment.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſuperviſors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Emott and Mr. Field deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for keeping in repair certain private roads in Orange town, in the county of Orange, paſſed 10th February, 1797," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to the members from the counties of Orange and Rockland.

A petition of John Harper, praying a grant of lands at a place called Black Rock, near Buffaloe creek, and a petition of Thomas Swords, James Swords, Henrietta Jackſon and Henry Brewerton, in behalf of Mary his wife, were ſeverally read and referred to the Surveyor-General, to report thereon.

Two ſeveral petitions from the inhabitants of the third and fourth wards in the city of Schenectady, relative to roads and town meetings, were read and referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Sherred and Mr. Pettit.

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff be diſcharged from the ſaid laſt mentioned committee, and that Mr. Bill be added thereto.

Mr. Comſtock made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That proviſion ought to be made by law to cauſe a conſus of the electors and inhabitants of this State to be taken, in compliance with the direction of the conſtitution, and that be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until Tueſday next.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of ſundry inhabitants of the towns of Cattſkill and Windham, in the county of Ulſter & Freehold, & the ſouthern part of Coxſackie, in the county of Albany, reported, That Cattſkill is a commercial town, to which the inhabitants of the adjoining country reſort for their ſupplies in all kinds of merchandize; that the merchants reſiding there and others have frequent occaſion to attend courts as ſuitors, jurors and witneſſes, either at the city of Albany or the town of Kingſton, both of which are at a conſiderable diſtance from their place of reſidence, to the great injury of their ordinary buſineſs; that it is highly inconvenient for the ſuitors, jurors and witneſſes from the weſtern part of ſaid county of Ulſter to attend at the laſt mentioned place, on account of the extreme badneſs of the road leading thereto acroſs the Cattſkill mountains; that according to the beſt information the committee have been able to obtain, the number of taxable inhabitants within the diſtrict of country propoſed to be erected into a ſeparate county, amount to about ſixteen hundred, and that the population in many parts of it is rapidly encreaſing. Your committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioners ſhould be granted. That they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and aſk leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Van Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to cede the juriſdiction to the United States of certain Iſlands in the harbour of New-York," with the amendment therewith delivered. The bill and amendment were read, and the amendment being read a ſecond time, was concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Field and Mr. Floyd deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendment, and have amended the bill accordingly.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " A act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog meadow, know by the name of the *Little Binne Water*, in the town of Walkill, in the county of O range," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield with the bill and amendments, and a copy of a reſolution therein mentioned, wa read, that the Senate do adhere to their amendments to the bill, entitled " An ac to continue in force and to amend the act, entitled " An act for appointing Comptroller in this State," which were not concurred in by the Houſe. Thereupo

Reſolved, That a conference be held with the Hon. the Senate this afternoon, a one o'clock, at ſuch place, as they ſhall be pleaſed to appoint, on their amendment to the ſaid bill, which were not concurred in by this Houſe.

The Houſe, then, purſuant to the 15th article of the conſtitution of this State proceeded to chooſe, by ballot, a committee to manage the ſaid conference on th part of this Houſe, and the ballots being taken, it appeared that Mr. Comſtock, Mr Maſters and Mr. Thurman were duly elected for the purpoſe : Thereupon

Reſolved, That Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Maſters and Mr. Thurman, be a committe to manage the ſaid conference on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Field and Mr. Floyd deliver a copy of the two laſt preceding reſolutions to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petitio of Samuel Avery, reported, That they have examined the ſtatement of facts mad by the petitioner, in his ſaid petition, and admitting them all to be true, it is th opinion of the committee that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr Juſtice Benſon, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council tha the bill, entitled " An act to amend the charter of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch church, in the city of New-York ;" the bill, entitled " An act further to continu the Treaſurer of this State in office," and the bill, entitled " An act to cede to th United States the juriſdiction of certain Iſlands ſituate in and about the harbour o New-York," ſhould reſpectively become laws of this State.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Hitchcock, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the Senate will meet the Hon. the Aſſembly this afternoon, a one o'clock, in the Aſſembly chamber, to hold a conference on their amendment to the bill, entitled " An act to continue in force, and to amend the act, entitle " An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," and which were not concur red in by that Hon. Houſe. And that Mr. L'Hommedieu, Mr. T. Morris an Mr. Hatfield, be a committee to manage the ſaid conference on the part of the Sen ate.

Mr. Speaker then left the chair, and with the Houſe attended the Hon. the Sen ate in the Aſſembly chamber, purſuant to the reſolutions of both Houſes, fo holding a conference on the amendments to the bill, entitled " An act to continu in force, and to amend the act, entitled " An act for appointing a Comptroller i this State," and the ſaid conference being ended, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chai and reported to the Houſe, that a conference had been held in the preſence o both Houſes, on the amendments propoſed by the Hon. the Senate to the ſaid bil

The Houſe then having reconſidered the ſaid bill and amendments, Mr. Speake put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did adhere to the ſaid bill, and it paſſed i the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sharpe,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherwood,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Wattles,	57
Mr. Emott,				

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Wood,	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tibbits,	Mr. Woolſey,	50
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Riggs,			

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do adhere to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Gray and Mr. Hall deliver the bill and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Verbryck from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act for keeping in repair certain private roads in Orangetown, in the county of Orange, paſſed 10th February, 1797," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Kent, with the bill, and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have receded from their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, and to amend the act, entitled "An act for appointing a Comptroller in this State," and have paſſed the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Gray deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Kent, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money for repairing the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Orange," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; one of the ſaid amendments is to alter the title, the altered title is, "An act authoriſing the raiſing of monies for repairs of court-houſes and gaols," and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Gray and Mr. Hall deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the ſaid bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Then the Houſe adjourned until eleven o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, eleven o'clock, A. M. February 17th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for keeping in repair certain private roads in Orange town, in the county of Orange, paſſed the 10th February, 1797," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hallet and Mr. Halsey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senat and request their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulst into a separate county," was read the second time, and committed to a committ of the whole House.

Ordered, That Mr. Sharpe have leave of absence for eight days.

A petition of Peter D. Schuyler, relative to a demand against the forfeited est of Sir John Johnson, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of John M'Aulay and others, inhabitants of the village of Newburg in the county of Orange, praying an act of incorporation, and a petition of Richa Hudson and others, of the same village, praying that such an act may not pa were read and referred to Mr. Blake, Mr. Bruyn and Mr. Field.

Sixty-four petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, relative to t place for erecting a court-house and gaol in the said county, were severally rea and referred to Mr. Savage, Mr. Gray and Mr. Post.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of John Jackson a others, reported, That by the act entitled "An act regulating the liberties of gao passed the 5th April, 1798," the space to be assigned or set apart by the courts common pleas for the said liberties, must not exceed *three* acres of land, and mu be adjacent to the several gaols in the respective counties. It is rather doubtfu whether by a legal construction of the act, the courts after having designated su limits, can alter or vary the same, as circumstances and public convenience m dictate; and in this respect, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, it would expedient in the Legislature to amend the above mentioned act, and with more co tainty define the powers of the courts of common pleas.

The petition specifies no other defect in the law, but generally prays for a re sion of it. It has been suggested, that the limits to be designated being confined three acres *adjacent* to the gaol, prisoners, who may be confined in the gaol of the cou ty of Kings, are deprived of the indulgence contemplated by the act, inasmuch the limits in that county, are incapable of affording the necessary accommodation In praying a general revision of the law, it is presumed the petitioners had in vie this inconvenience, and to obviate the same, are desirous the courts may be e powered to assign the limits in places in the county not adjacent to the gaol.

The Attorney-General has thus stated what he conceives to be one of the prin pal objects of the petitioners; whether such extension of power would accord wi the public good, must be submitted to the wisdom and discretion of the Legislatu Any remarks from him, on the subject, might be judged assuming and therefore i proper. All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMA

ALBANY, *February 17th*, 1800.

Ordered, That the same report and petition be referred to Mr. Wood, Mr. Gilbert and Mr. M'Intyre.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of Elias Quereau, ported, That by indenture, bearing date the 9th day of May, 1769, John John and Anna his wife, conveyed to Gilbert Bloom and Joshua Purdy, certain real p perty at Peekskill, in trust, to sell the same for the repayment of £.600, due and o ing by the said John Johnson, to Joshua Quereau and Elias Quereau. By the cital in the said indenture, it appears that Elias Quereau, the father of the petitio er and his brother Joshua, had, by his last will and testament, bequeathed to his two sons, the said £.600, of which John Johnson, by his intermarriage with An the widow of Elias Quereau, deceased, had become possessed, and had converted same during the infancy of the said legatees to his own use. It is proper to st that the original indenture above referred to, has been mislaid or lost, but by affidavit of Pierre Van Cortlandt, junior, it appears to have accompanied a petit on the same subject presented to the Legislature in 1793, and by other documen exhibited to the Attorney-General, he presumes the same had been mislaid by

former clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly. The copy, from which the above facts are derived is authentic, as it appears in the hand writing of a clerk of Gerard Bancker, the late treaſurer, and by an indorſement in his hand writing, to have been compared by himſelf.

The eſtate of John Johnſon was forfeited by his attainder, and the property ſo conveyed as aforeſaid in purſuance of an act, entitled "An act for the further direction of the Treaſurer, paſſed the 7th March, 1793," was ſold by the Treaſurer of this State, for the ſum of £.330 which money has been paid into the Treaſury. By the ſame act it is declared that the conveyance for the ſaid property to be executed by the Treaſurer ſhall operate as a warranty on the part of the people of this State to the purchaſer or purchaſers thereof.

It appears from the books of the Treaſurer, that Philip Van Courtlandt was the purchaſer under the State, and at the time of the ſale, the State, by a petition, ſimilar to the preſent one, previouſly preferred to the Legiſlature, had full notice of the preſent incumbrance. It is alſo ſtated by the petitioner, and is to be clearly inferred, from all the circumſtances attending this tranſaction, that the purchaſer had notice of the preſent claim. If ſo, admitting the above mentioned indenture to be conſidered merely as a mortgage, the property remains as a ſecurity for the mortgage money, and relief may be had in the court of chancery, to enforce a ſale of the premiſes or a payment of the £.600. In ſuch caſe, the purchaſers would be entitled to a return of the conſideration money contained in the conveyance from the Treaſurer.

The affidavit of Joſhua Purdy, one of the truſtees, named in the above mentioned conveyance, ſtates, that the ſame was executed for the purpoſes therein expreſſed to him and Gilbert Bloom, as guardians of Elias Quereau and Joſhua Quereau, the infant children of Elias Quereau, deceaſed.

In deciding on this petition, the loſs of the original conveyance ought not to affect the juſtice of the claim, the proof of its exiſtence is deciſive, and the loſs of it is rather to be aſcribed to the careleſſneſs of perſons, to whom it was with propriety entruſted, than to the negligence of the parties. Under all the circumſtances of the preſent claim, the Attorney-General is of opinion, that Elias Quereau and Joſhua Quereau, the ſons of Elias Quereau, deceaſed, are juſtly entitled to claim from the State the amount received into the treaſury, on the ſale of the premiſes, being £.330 with the intereſt at the rate of ſix per cent. per annum, being the ſum the purchaſer under the State would receive, in caſe his title ſhould prove defective by reaſon of the aforeſaid conveyance; and that a Legiſlative proviſion ought to be made for the payment thereof, on their granting and conveying to the people of the State all their right and title to the premiſes.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

February 17th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Rockwell, Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. M'Kinſtry.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of Gilbert Dench, reported, That the petitioner offers to give information concerning the manner of liquidating and ſettling the accounts between the United States and the State of Maſſachuſetts, and he ſtates, that he has certain documents in his poſſeſſion to ſhew that the State of Maſſachuſettes is improperly a creditor State to a very large amount. The petitioner conſiders the inquiry as intereſting to this State, and requeſts, that a ſelect committee may be appointed to receive his communications, to whom alone, he appears deſirous to ſubmit the documents on the ſubject.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,

JOS. OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, February 17th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Meyer and Mr. M'Cord.

The Surveyor-General, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Hill and others, reported, That all the lots in the Oneida reſervation, directed to be ſold by laws heretofore enacted, have been expoſed to ſale at public vendues. For a number of them, the minimum price was not bid, and to others the purchaſers have forfeited their rights by a non-compliance with the conditions of ſale. The petitioner now prays that the lots thus remaining the property of the State, may again be expoſed to ſale, in order to enable him, and others, in whoſe behalf he petitions, to become purchaſers. On the expediency of ſuch meaſures, it is the excluſive prerogative of the Legiſlature to deliberate and decide.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,
SIMEON DE WITT, Surveyor-General.

Albany, 14th February, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Norton, Mr. Denton and Mr. Roſeboom.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I have received, and now lay before you, a report from the Inſpector General of proviſions for the city of New-York, reſpecting that branch of Inſpection. It contains uſeful information and judicious remarks.

Permit me to ſubmit to your conſideration, whether the inſpection of proviſions, pot aſh, lumber, &c. would not probably be better performed, if each of theſe branches of inſpection was committed to a ſingle inſpector, who ſhould be allowed competent fees, ſhould appoint and pay his own ſub-inſpectors or deputies, and ſhould be reſponſible for the whole.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 17th February, 1800.

The ſaid report of the Inſpector-General, was alſo read, and is in the words following, viz.

HAVING accepted the appointment of Inſpector General of Proviſions, for the city and county of New-York, I believe it right to furniſh the Governor with the following remarks, viz.

Previous to the undertaking, I found many embarraſſing circumſtances attending the faithful execution of the truſt. The law taking almoſt immediate effect, without reverting or taking into view the quantity of proviſion then on hand, was not on that head ſufficiently explicit. Under this and other conſiderations, it was was with much reluctance I engaged in a buſineſs, in many reſpects, new and untried.

Immediately after entering upon it, I found it highly neceſſary to uſe great care, leaſt an unneceſſary waſte of property ſhould take place, it not being in our power always to diſcover, by boring the barrel, whether the meat was really bad or likely to become ſo. In conſequence of which, ſoon after I began, I found it neceſſary to ſend all that appeared in ſuch a ſituation to a yard near Corlear's Hook, where it was unheaded and examined, and eight hundred and fifty-ſix barrels of beef and pork were thrown into the river, as bad, during the ſeaſon. And altho' great apprehenſion and danger were ſuppoſed to ariſe from tainted proviſion, ſo much ſo that I could not get a place to cart it to, and take it from, within the limits of the city, without giving great umbrage to the inhabitants. Yet it is with much ſatisfaction I can ſay, none of the people employed in this buſineſs were ſeized with the fever, though nearly all were affected with a dyſentery, ſome of whom ſeverely.

Being deſirous of ſatisfying myſelf fully with the defects of our proviſion, I had a number of barrels examined and weighed (though not within the line of my appointment, and attended with conſiderable trouble and expence) and on a careful inveſtigation I was fully convinced that the fleſhy part of pork was frequently cut into pieces too large for the ſalt to penetrate, which, with a deficiency of ſalt to the barrel, occaſioned it to taint. That beef, not only from its being repacked too ſoon after it was killed, but alſo from its not being well rubbed with ſalt

when firſt packed, cut into pieces too large, with a want of ſufficiency of ſalt, occaſioned it to ſpoil. The weight of pork generally held out, a few brands excepted, by perſons not now in office, but the weight of beef was generally rather ſhort. That from the eaſtern ſtates, and ſome parts of this ſtate, was very generally 20lb. under weight. Some barrels contained only eight pieces, which weighed about 180 lb. other barrels from ten to ſixteen pieces, which weighed nearly the ſame—this meat was generally very bad. The quality was ſtill more deficient; out of 674 barrels, ſent to the yard, of eaſtern inſpection, only 18 were branded cargo, when the principal part was very inferior, and conſiderable of it ſuch as would not now be branded with any quality here. The deficiency of weight in pork, which generally, and indeed ought always to overrun, together with the great want of ſalt in many barrels, led to an apprehenſion of intentional fraud. Frequent inſtances alſo occurred of beef being branded pork, and of both beef and pork being branded meſs, when it was barely cargo. This latter circumſtance I ſhould have ſuppoſed aroſe from accident, had I diſcovered any pork branded beef, or any meſs branded cargo; but out of more than 2000 barrels examined, I never met with any.

Several inſtances occurred of conſiderable quantities of proviſion having a ſufficiency of ſalt in one head, but on opening the other, found none—of courſe the proviſion was materially injured. The brands, eſpecially from the eaſtward, were too generally unintelligible, excepting the quality, and even that ſometimes difficult to underſtand.

The quantity deſtroyed this ſeaſon, may appear large, yet when we take into view the number of barrels of old proviſion left on hand, and all the refuſe that remained on hand of ſeveral years ſtanding, together with many barrels returned from long voyages at ſea, or to a warm climate, it will furniſh ſome reaſon for it.

Apprehending ſome improvement may be made, in the preſent law, for inſpecting proviſion, the following is ſubmitted to the Governor.

The Inſpector-General ſhould have liberty to appoint one or two deputies, to aſſiſt in the examination of proviſions during the warm months, with an increaſe of pay, it being deemed a hazardous buſineſs, and very diſagreeable. It is attended with great inconvenience to get ſuitable and qualified perſons for ſo ſmall a conſideration as the preſent, indeed I believe impoſſible. From the extent of the city, and proviſions being more or leſs ſtored in every part of it, it frequently happens that two men cannot examine more than two to three hundred barrels a day, ſome days not ſo many, owing to the time loſt in going from place to place, abſence of the owners, want of kegs, &c. The Inſpector-General ſhould alſo have power to appoint a deputy to attend on the repackers in caſe of ſickneſs or neceſſary abſence.

From a fair trial, made the preſent ſeaſon, of repacking, I am convinced that the public cannot be ſerved with leſs than eight repackers in this city. We have had four yards conſtantly at work, yet many perſons have been ſubjected to great inconvenience, by not having their proviſions timely repacked; and in ſome inſtances poſſibly the meat may have been injured in ſome degree by the delay, though much attention has been given to avoid it. Should the Legiſlature think proper to make this addition, would not a uſefulneſs ariſe by authoriſing the Inſpector-General to fill any vacancies which might happen, either by the death, reſignation or diſplacing any of the repackers, until the pleaſure of the council was known, and thereby afford a remedy, ſhould a circumſtance like the preſent again occur. But while the propoſition to increaſe the number of repackers is made, I feel care that it ſhould not be extended too far, as many of the evils attending our proviſion have originated from the number of repackers, who were then under appointment; ſome of theſe to get buſineſs, have, it is fully believed, engaged to repack for a leſs price than the law allows, in conſequence of which, a want of ſalt, and a want of weight have taken place.

There can be little doubt of many perſons being in the practice of buying up barrels from whence meat has been taken, filling them up with proviſion of different qualities and diſpoſing of them under the old brands. If the penalty for

ſhifting or mixing proviſions was increaſed, and then extended to this caſe, I believe it would be beneficial.

The preſent law allows any perſon putting up 200 barrels of beaf and 200 barrels of pork, to brand them with his own name, for exportation. Would it not be proper to alter this clauſe, and allow any perſon putting up 200 barrels of either, to brand as above, under the reſtrictions mentioned? Some counties in the State ſupply large quantities of pork, and but little beef for barrelling, while ſome other places have abundance of beef, and barrel very little pork; connecting them together may defeat the object in view. Much uneaſineſs is expreſſed on account of the ſap being by law required to be taken out of the ſtuff barrels are made of, particularly in the lower counties and Connecticut. By ſome it has been alledged that the proviſion trade with Connecticut would be nearly loſt, if the law was adhered to, ariſing from the great difficulty in procuring heart ſtuff. In ſome of the interior towns of Maſſachuſetts, New-Hampſhire and Vermont, from whence large quantities of proviſion come to this market, they are obliged to make uſe of aſh for barrels, as oak can not be obtained. From the obſervations made during the ſummer, aſh barrels appeared to retain the pickle equal to oak, but they are more tender. When the heads were part oak and part aſh, or when the heads were aſh and the ſtaves oak, they very generally leaked. Some ſap was diſcovered to be equally good with heart ſtuff, to hold pickle; but far the greateſt part, that came under my knowledge, would leak. Should any alteration be made in theſe reſpects, the ſtuff ſhould not be mixed, the barrels ought to be made all of oak, or wholly of aſh.

The ſize of barrels for beef, anſwers very well; but they are too ſmall for pork. The quantity required cannot be ſcrewed in without injuring the meat very materially, and ſometimes the barrel, if under 29 gallons. I therefore propoſe an alteration in the ſize of barrels for pork, to 29 and 31 gallons.

The preſent law requires pork to be cut into ſquare pieces, not leſs than 4lb. nor more than 12lb. weight. A conſiderable objection and inconvenience ariſes from this, for although no piece of pork ſhould be leſs than 4lb. and all the ſmall pieces cut as ſquare as well may be, yet the middle or ſide pieces, if cut from the back bone to the belly, will be long, and yet, if not too wide, of a ſuitable ſize to ſave well, pack much better, and give a handſome face to the barrel when packed; beſides, if thoſe ſide pieces are cut ſquare, conſiderable part will be adjudged as Cargo, when, if in one piece, will appear as good Prime or Meſs.

The repackers generally being men of ſmall capitals, they ought to be paid for the inſpection on delivery of the proviſions; much inconvenience has aroſe to them by a long delay of payment; further legiſlative proviſion, I think, ought to be made for them. But here a conſiderable difficulty ariſes; to make the proviſions liable, would only tend to increaſe an evil already exiſting, in my apprehenſion; but the way how to point out a remedy almoſt diſcourages the mentioning of it. The packing proviſions comes to a conſiderable ſum, if the quantity is large. The owner not always provided with a ſufficiency to pay, and the packer unable to go out of the money, it is then agreed that he take proviſion in lieu; this opens a door for abuſe, the packer may ſelect the choiceſt pieces or barrels—perhaps leave them in ſuch a ſituation, as by repacking it again, the qualities may be conſiderably advanced. A temptation alſo ariſes to brand ſuch as he means to hold, of inferior quality to what it really is, and there are ſome reaſons to apprehend it has been done, the brands afterwards cut out and the real quality put on. Though ſuch repackers may now be out of office, yet others, poſſibly of like diſpoſitions, may in time be appointed. Temptations may ariſe to the Inſpecter General from various quarters, which if complied with, would tend greatly to injure the article itſelf, as well as the reputation of our repacking.

Therefore if the law could be ſo amended as to prevent them from buying and ſelling of proviſions of any kind or quality, except remnants, occaſioned by the barrels overrunning or falling ſhort, without ſubjecting the owner to the neceſſity of raiſing money on a ſale at a loſs, I believe it would tend to improve the buſineſs and leſſen abuſes.

The proviſion appears to be generally much improved this ſeaſon, owing to its being better cut and more carefully ſalted; but the law not being ſo extenſively publiſhed as was neceſſary, many barrellers were ignorant of the alterations propoſed, in conſequence of which, ſeveral inſtances have occurred, of tainted meat. Some barrels with only ſeven pieces in have weighed 200lb. and many with only ten to eighteen, of the ſame weight; ſuch barrels were generally ſpoiled, excepting which, the principal loſs has been owing to the uſe of very fine or very coarſe ſalt, before the meat was rubbed; the fine ſalt forming into a cake or cruſt between the pieces, and the coarſe not diſſolving; but this generally relates to pork.

I am, very reſpectfully,
the Governor's friend,
EDMUND PRIOR.

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, with the papers accompanying the ſame, be referred to a ſelect committee, with inſtructions to enquire, whether any, and if any, what alterations are neceſſary, or may be exhibited in the inſpection laws of this State; and that Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Tibbits, Mr. Williams, Mr. Strong and Mr. Wood, be of the ſaid committee.

Reſolved, That one hundred and fifty copies of the ſaid report of the Inſpector-General of proviſions be forthwith printed for the uſe of this Houſe.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred the petition of David Cook and others, reported, That the firſt ſale, by the State, of lands in the Oneida reſervation, was made in October, 1797, when the Surveyor-General ſold a number of lots and parcels of land to about two hundred perſons, who paid, at the rate of twenty-five dollars of the purchaſe money on each lot, and executed mortgages to the people of this State, to ſecure the payment of the reſidue, at a future day, with intereſt at ſix per cent. annually. The Surveyor-General has ſince, in conſequence of particular laws, made other ſales and conveyances of lands in the Oneida reſervation, and taken ſimilar mortgages from the purchaſers. The money due, for principal and intereſt, on one of theſe mortgages, has been lately paid; and the ſums due, for principal, on the others, amount in the whole to 285,947 dollars and 85 cents. Some of the petitioners are purchaſers from the State, but the greateſt part of them are not; and there is reaſon to believe that they have purchaſed at advanced prices from others who have purchaſed from the State. Some of the petitioners are among thoſe, for whoſe relief, the Legiſlature have paſſed particular acts long ſince the firſt ſale.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,
SAMUEL JONES, Comptroller.

Albany, 15*th February*, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. M'Kown and Mr. Pratt.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred the petition of Joſhua Patrick and others, reported, That the Surveyor-General, in the year 1796, by virtue of the act mentioned in the petition conveyed to the petitioner, Joſhua Patrick, lot No. 118, and to the petitioner, Durkee, the ſouth half of lot No. 137, and to the petitioner, Eraſtus Spalding, together with Frederick Spalding and Ephraim Spalding, lot No. 144, in the Cayuga reſervation, on the eaſt ſide of the Cayuga lake, at the average price at which the lands in the ſame tract were ſold, and they paid him at the rate of twenty-five dollars of the purchaſe money on each lot, and executed mortgages to the people of this State to ſecure the payment of the reſidue of the purchaſe money at a future day, with intereſt at ſix per cent. annually. It appears that Joſhua Patrick has paid 47 dollars and 96 cents for intereſt on his mortgage, but neither Durkee nor Spaldings' have made any payment. None of the other petitioner appears to be purchaſers from the State; and if any of them have any right to land in the Cayuga reſervation, their titles muſt be derived from others, who were the original purchaſers. The caſe of thoſe who had a right of pre-emption in the Cay-

uga reſervation, was ſubmitted to the conſideration of the Legiſlature at their nex
ſeſſion after the ſale, when it was alledged that the average price was too high, a
ſome of the purchaſers had refuſed to take the land they purchaſed, and had choſe
to forfeit their depoſits of twenty-five dollars on a lot; and therefore, by the ſecon
ſection of the "Act for the relief of the tenants of Peter Smith and others, paſſe
the 1ſt April, 1797," it was enacted that the mean price ſhould be eſtimated on th
lands ſold in that part of the tract laying to the ſouth of the Great Geneſee Road
and for which payment had actually been made to the Surveyor-General, or ſecure
by mortgage or otherwiſe.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SAMUEL JONES, *Comptroller.*

ALBANY, 15th February, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Sher
red and Mr. N. Smith.

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of Loi
Dean, and of Samuel Freer and others, with the report of the Attorney-Genera
thereon, reported, That whereas Nathan Dean and Squire Whitaker, named in th
act of the Legiſlature, paſſed the 31ſt March, 1795, have paid the conſideration mo
ney, agreeable to the ſaid act, and on the payment whereof, were entitled, by th
ſaid act, to letters patent, directed thereby to be granted to them. The commit
tee are of opinion, that the death of ſaid Nathan Dean, ſince that time, ought not t
alter or defeat the intent, operation or effect of the ſaid act, and therefore that ſuc
letters patent ought now to be granted, as of the time, by the ſaid act they ought t
have been granted, and the property deemed veſted inthem from the time they ha
become entitled to the ſame. And they aſk leave to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſ

The ſaid bill having been read, Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the com
mittee ſhould have leave to bring in the ſame, and it paſſed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Attorney-General do prepare, and report to this Houſe,
bill conformable to the report by him made on the petitions of Lois Dean, and o
Samuel Freer and others.

Mr. Bull, from the committee, conſiſting of the members attending this Houſ
from the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga, to whom were committed the bil
entitled "An act to revive and amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief o
the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton," reported, That the committee had gon
through the bill, made an amendment, and agreed to the ſame, which he was di
rected to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivere
the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Sundry depoſitions of perſons reſiding in the county of Columbia, relative to th
oppoſition to the judicial authority of the State, were read, and referred to th
joint committee to whom is referred that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency th
Governor which relates to that ſubject.

Mr. Savage, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obtain
ed leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the repreſentatives o
Joſeph Crane, deceaſed," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecon
reading.

Mr. Riggs, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "A
act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," reported, That the committe
had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which h
was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and de
livered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That one hundred and fifty copies of the ſaid bill be forthwith printe
for the uſe of this Houſe.

Mr. Oſtrom purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obtaine
leave to bring in a bill entitled "An act providing for the apportionment of ſchoo
money in certain counties," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecon
reading.

Mr. Shurtleff from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 18th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to revive and amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Hallet and Mr. Halſey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act providing for the apportionment of ſchool money in certain counties," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the repreſentatives of Joſeph Crane, deceaſed," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of John Brown, of Providence, in the State of Rhode-Iſland, and a petition of Ezekiel Barker and others, were ſeverally read and referred to the Attorney-General, to report a ſtate of facts, with his opinion thereon, to the Houſe.

Two petitions, from the inhabitants of the villages of Lanſingburgh and Waterford, praying further aid from the Legiſlature in proſecuting the improvement of the navigation in Hudſon's river, between the villages of Troy and Waterford, were ſeverally read, and referred to Mr. Tibbits, Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Savage, Mr. Schermerhorn and Mr. Riggs.

A petition of Stewart Codner and others, of the town of Blenheim, praying for a diviſion of ſaid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Clark, Mr. Taber and Mr. A. Gilbert.

A petition of James Empſon, praying a grant of bounty lands for military ſervices, was read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Jacob Overacker and others, relative to the bridge acroſs Hoſick creek, in the county of Renſſelaer, was read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

A petition of the inhabitants, reſiding on the great Geneſee road, praying an act incorporating a company for the purpoſe of making the ſaid road a turnpike, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor which relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations.

Ordered, That Mr. Oſtrom be diſcharged from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from the county of Cayuga, relative to the place for erecting a court-houſe and gaol in ſaid county, and that Mr. Tinkham be added to the ſaid committee.

Ordered, That the committee to whom were referred the petitions of Clark Wynans and of Henry Buſh, be diſcharged from any further conſideration thereof, and that the ſaid petitions be committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land."

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Kent and Mr. L'Hommedieu, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry and Mr. Herkimer deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Kent and Mr. L'Hommedieu, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) that the Printer of the State print one hundred and ſixty copies of every bill, report or other matter, which may

be delivered him for that purpoſe, for the uſe of both branches of the Legiſlature and that ſuch bill, report or other matter, be printed in the order of time they ma be reſpectively received. And to enable the ſaid printer to perform the foregoin ſervices with diſpatch, he be allowed, for all extra printing, performed during th preſent ſitting of the Legiſlature, the like compenſation as for printing the Journal of the Legiſlature.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until to morrow.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitle "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons fro paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for th ſettlement of land," and to whom were alſo committed the petitions of Clark Wy nans and Henry Buſh, reported, That the committee had gone through the bil made amendments, and agreed to the ſame. And that the committee had alſo a greed to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That Clark Wynans and Henry Buſ ſhould reſpectively have leave to withdraw their petitions.

Which he was directed to report to the houſe; and he read the report in hi place, and delivered the bill, amendments and reſolution in at the table, whe they were again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That Clark Wynans and Henry Buſh have leave reſpec ively to withdraw their petitions.

Mr. Henry, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John St venſon, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true; that in the opinio of the committee, the petitioner is entitled to relief, and that leave ſhould be give to bring in a bill for that purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Henry brought i a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stevenſon," which was read the fir time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Henry, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act providing for the erecting of new towns, and for altering the lines of town before erected," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That Mr. Strong be added to the committee appointed to prepare an bring in a bill for the diſpoſition of certain lands mentioned in the petitions John Thurman, and of Nehemiah Mead and others.

Mr. Henry, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obtaine leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act dividing this State into judicial diſtrict appointing aſſociate judges of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions the peace, and fixing the times for holding thoſe courts in the ſeveral counties this State," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 19th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonera certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798, and extend the time for the ſettlement of land," with the engroſſed amendments, wa read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Hallet and Mr. Halſey deliver the bill with the amendmen to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bi with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill, entitled "An act dividing this State into judicial diſtricts, appointin aſſociate judges of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peac and fixing the time for holding thoſe courts in the ſeveral counties of this State," an the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stevenſon," were ſeverally rea the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Patrick Lamb, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the count of Delaware, and Ebenezer Stevens, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly

lected in the city and county of New-York, appeared in the Aſſembly chamber, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, Speaker of this Houſe, one of the commiſſioners appointed by a commiſſion, in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem*, to adminiſter oaths, adminiſtered to them the oaths preſcribed by law.

Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Stevens do take their ſeats.

A petition of Jane Shepherd, widow of William Shepherd, late of the city of Albany, deceaſed, and others, the heirs and deviſees of the ſaid William Shepherd, relative to the diſpoſition of the real and perſonal eſtate of the ſaid deceaſed, was read, and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Bull and Mr. Riggs.

A petition of Mary Vrooman, widow of Peter Deitz, formerly a captain of militia, praying a grant of bounty lands, for military ſervices, and a petition of George Hunter, an auctioneer in the city of New-York, praying a reimburſement of money, for vendue duties, paid by him into the treaſury of this State, were ſeverally read and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Thomas Davidſon, and a petition of Thomas Rawlins, aliens, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State, were read, and referred to Mr. Sharpe, Mr. A. Smith and Mr. Snell.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, praying that a law may be paſſed, directing the mode, and authorizing the people of this State to chooſe electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident, and alſo a law, dividing the four great diſtricts of this State into other diſtricts for the election of Senators, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Levi Farr and others, inhabitants of the county of Eſſex, praying a grant of vacant lands, was read, and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Teed, Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Savage.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the counties of Albany, Montgomery, Herkimer and Oneida, relative to a turnpike road, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations.

A petition of John Price and others, inhabitants of the town of Fairfield, in the county of Waſhington, relative to the boundary lines of ſaid town, was read.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed.

A petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, relative to certain lots of ground, which are conſidered as prejudicial to the health of the ſaid city, and a petition of Garrit Gilbert, commiſſioner of exciſe for the city and county of New-York, praying an increaſe of ſalary, were ſeverally read and referred to the members from the city and county of New-York.

The Houſe then proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, as entered on the Journals of yeſterday, relative to the extra printing during the preſent ſitting of the Legiſlature. The ſaid reſolution was again read, and debates had thereon; and the queſtion having been put, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Thomas, ſeconded by Mr. Bull, were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolſey, 50
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry and Mr. Herkimer deliver a copy of the ſaid reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Brown, reported, That on the twenty-third day of May, 1774, Charles Inglis entered into an agreement with the petitioner for the ſale and diſpoſition of three hundred acres of land, at twenty-five ſhillings per acre, one third to be paid in three years, the reſidue to be ſecured by a mortgage on the premiſes. The eſtate of Chales Inglis was forfeited to the people of this State, and the ſaid 300 acres of land ſold by the commiſſioners of forfeitures for the middle diſtrict, and a conveyance executed by them to the purchaſers.

The petitioner ſtates, that by reaſon of the reſidence of Charles Inglis, within the Britiſh lines, in the year 1777, he was unable to comply with the agreement. That in the year 1782 he was violently diſpoſſeſſed of the ſaid property by the purchaſers under the State. That previous thereto he had made valuable improvements thereon. That at the laſt circuit court held in Dutcheſs county, he recovered in an ejectment part of the premiſes. That he is adviſed the agreement cannot operate, as a conveyance in fee-ſimple, but for ſome ſmaller eſtate. He prays, that the ſaid lands may be abſolutely veſted in him, or for ſuch other relief in the premiſes as his caſe may require.

The State, having already authorized the ſale of this property, no Legiſlative act can diveſt the purchaſer of this right, derived from the conveyance of the commiſſioners of forfeitures. Any law therefore, veſting the propeity in the petitioner, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, would be improper. Whether any other relief ought to be granted to the petitioner, muſt depend on the following circumſtances, and the propriety of the remarks herewith ſubmitted.

By the firſt act authoriſing the ſale of forfeited eſtates, the commiſſioners of forfeitures were directed to give eight weeks notice, in one or more of the public newſpapers of this State; ſuch advertiſement containing a deſcription of the quantity and ſituation of the lands to be ſold, and the name of the perſon by whoſe conviction they became forfeited. It is to be preſumed, that notice was given purſuant to law. This proviſion is continued in all ſubſequent acts, paſſed on the ſame ſubject, and its propriety is obvious. It evidently was intended, not only to afford an opportunity of exhibiting *mere* equitable claims, like the preſent, but to protect the State, from all future demands by reaſon thereof. If the petitioner, at the time, gave notice of the preſent agreement, it is competent to the court of chancery, to grant him relief, for in ſuch caſe the purchaſer will be conſidered as repreſenting Charles Inglis. If notice of the agreement was not given, any injury the petitioner may ſuſtain, muſt be aſcribed to his own inattention and neglect.

The act, forfeiting the eſtate of Charles Inglis, was paſſed the 22d October, 1779. The ſale by the commiſſioners did not take place until 1782. During the intermediate period no offer was made by the petitioner to comply with his agreement. Charles Inglis being within the Britiſh lines can afford no anſwer to this objection. By the forfeiture, the people of this State became entitled to the conſideration mo-

ey of the agreement, and before the ſale, the Legiſlature doubtleſs would have ccepted the payment of it and confirmed the agreement.

Under all the circumſtances of the preſent application, the Attorney-General is f opinion, that the petitioner is not entitled to the favor of the Legiſlature, and herefore he ought to be left to purſue his legal or equitable remedies againſt the urchaſer, if, by his own laches, he has not waved the ſame.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,

JOS. OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, February 19th, 1800.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Attorney-General in his ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims, according to leave, brought in a ill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow and relict of John Hanſon, deceaſed," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Bogert, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the mayor, ldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, reported, That the facts ſtated n the petition are true, and that in their opinion leave ſhould be given to bring n a bill for the purpoſes mentioned in ſaid petition. Leave being given, Mr. Bogert brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to alter the time for the election f charter officers for the city of New-York, to lengthen the terms of the court of ommon pleas, to give additional powers to the ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the eace in the city and county of New-York, to reduce ſeveral laws relating particu- ary to the ſaid city and county into one act, and for other purpoſes," which was ead the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was read the ſecond time, and com- itted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That one hundred and ſixty copies of the ſaid bill be printed for the ſe of this Houſe.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, praying a law to ena- le them to raiſe monies by tax, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are ue, and that in the opinion of the committee leave ſhould be given to bring in a ill for the purpoſe in the ſaid petition mentioned. Leave being given, Mr. Oot- out brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, recorder and ldermen of the city of New-York to order the raiſing monies by tax for the main- enance of the poor, and for defraying the other contingent expences ariſing in the ity and county of New-York, and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt me, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, by his private ſecretary, was read, nd is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I herewith lay before you, a report of the commiſſioners for ſettling the titles to nd in the county of Onondaga. This report is reputable to them, and intereſt- ng to the public, and will, I am perſuaded, give occaſion to meaſures, which will iſcourage fraud, and vindicate the rights of the State.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 19th February, 1800.

The report of the commiſſioners was alſo read, and is in the words following, iz.

SIR,

In diſcharging the truſts repoſed in us as commiſſioners for ſettling the titles to lands in the ounty of Onondaga, a great variety of caſes have occurred. in which it appears, that the people f this ſtate have the beſt, and indeed the only rightful, claim to the property. By the act of the th of March, 1797, we are directed to report ſuch caſes to the Legiſlature, and we accordingly cloſe a liſt of the lots thus circumſtanced, with the names of the patentees, in order that your xcellency may lay the ſame before the Legiſlature during their preſent ſeſſion.

It would not perhaps, be deemed a diſcreet diſcharge of duty, were we to confine our report to es enumeration without ſpecifying the reaſons which induce the opinion on our part, that the nds belong to the State. We ſhall therefore proceed to ſtate to your Excellency the ſituation f the property, and to ſuggeſt the ideas which have occurred to us in the courſe of our inveſtiga- on.

The lots mentioned in the encloſed liſt may all be ranged in one general claſs. They have a been patented in the names of perſons who were not only dead at the iſſuing of the patents, bu who died before the 27th of March, 1783.

The operation of the military grants ariſes under the act of the 6th of April, 1790. By the 5t ſection of this act it is declared, that the letters patent ſhall iſſue in the names of the perſons wh have actually ſerved in the line of the army, granting the lands to ſuch perſons reſpectively, an to their reſpective heirs, and aſſigns for ever. And the lands ſo to be granted ſhall be deeme conſidered and adjugded to have veſted in the reſpective grantees, and their heirs and aſſigns re pectively, on the 27th of March, 1783: And all grants, bargains, ſales, deviſes, and other diſpo ſitions, made by any of the ſaid grantees, or their heirs or aſſigns, of the ſaid land ſo to be grante to them reſpectively, or any part thereof between ſaid 27th of March, 1783, and the date of ſuc letters patent reſpectively, ſhall be as good and effectual as if the ſaid letters patent had been grant ed on the ſaid 27th of March.

It is an undeniable and ſelf evident propoſition, that if nothing had been ſaid in this act as to th operation of the grant, and the patentee had been dead, at the time the patent iſſued, it woul have been wholly inoperative.

The act itſelf is cautiouſly drawn, and appears calculated to anſwer three diſtinct ends. T name the grantee, to declare the nature of the eſtate to be granted, and to ſpecify the time fro which the patent is to have an operation. The only material variation in the matter now to b diſcuſſed, according to our conſtruction of the act, is, that inſtead of referring to the time which the grant was made, for the requiſites to the grant, and among the reſt, that of a grante qualified to take, we are to go back to the 27th of March, 1783: we are to conſider the pate as having iſſued on that day, and if then the perſon named in the patent was dead, we think it ne ceſſarily follows that the patent could paſs no right.

The only thing which favors a contrary conſtruction, is the expreſſion that the grant ſhall b to the ſoldier, and to his heirs and aſſigns, for ever. It is obvious however, that theſe word are calculated, and intended merely to deſignate the extent of the eſtate to be granted, that ſhould be at once inheritable and transferable; the ſame words are ordinarily uſed in every ſpeci of conveyance, when the ſame extent of intereſt is contemplated. The Legiſlature were driven this mode of expreſſion, as the property was allodial, and therefore the term fee ſimple, or th correſpondent terms were inapplicable.

It has, however, been ſuppoſed, that as the lands to be granted, are to be deemed to have veſte in the *reſpective* patentees, and their heirs and aſſigns *reſpectively*, that therefore theſe grants a ſaved; we conceive not: We think that the word *reſpectively*, is uſed to ſhew the ſeparate natu of the property; each man was to have an individual grant. Beſides, the property is not to ve in the ſoldier, *or* his heirs, *or* his aſſigns, but in him *and* his heirs and aſſigns, thus making h the ſource from whence the title was to iſſue, and that the Legiſlature knew and felt the force this mode of expreſſion, is obvious from the ſubſequent part of the clauſe, in which they mak valid all acts by the grantee, *or* his heirs, *or* his aſſigns, thus in effect ſaying, the property is *veſt* in the grantee, and is tranſmiſſible to his heirs, and may be the ſubject of a transfer, and a diſpoſitions made by him, or his heirs, or perſons purchaſing from either, after it has been ſo ve ed ſhall be valid.

Viewing the property as ſtill remaining in the people, a queſtion ariſes of no ſmall momen how far the ſtate are bound, by exiſting engagements, to render the grants valid and operative. To ſolve this difficulty it will be neceſſary to recur to the hiſtory of the military grants.

On the 16th of September, 1776, the Continental Congreſs came to a reſolution to raiſe battalions, and portioned them among the different ſtates, and they declared that proviſion ſhou be made for granting lands to the ſoldiery who ſhould engage in the ſervice, and continue there to the cloſe of the war, or until diſcharged by Congreſs, and to *the repreſentatives of ſuch of them ſhould be ſlain by the enemy*. The object of this proviſion, no doubt was to forward enliſtments. was ſeen that the pay which the country could raiſe was uncertain in its value, and a want punctuality was to be apprehended. To induce enliſtments under theſe diſagreeable proſpect Congreſs fell on the only plan which they could with certainty execute. They had unculvate lands, and they held out to the ſoldier a diſtant but pleaſing proſpect of a quiet, comfortable ſ tlement, when the war ſhould be at an end.

The cloſe of the war preſented a new view of things. A large and diſſatisfied army, whoſe d mands were as urgent as their neceſſities, required attention; public expenditures had impove iſhed the national purſe; and the citizens ſmarting with the injuries and the incidents attendi a long and an arduous ſtruggle, in which every nerve had been ſtrained to its higheſt pitch, we unable to repleniſh that purſe. One way only remained, and that was adopted. Paper was iſſu which held out to the army a promiſe of future ſatisfaction. With this paper, in addition to th before received by them, the ſoldiery were to be ſatisfied. The experiment was doubtful, t reſult might be mournful. The ſoldier, if he could not in the moment of ſucceſs and gratitu obtain from his country, the reward for his ſervices, which had been ſo long promiſed, and ſo lo withheld, would feel his ſuſpicion awakened as to the future. When his labors and his toils h loſt their importance with their novelty, he would dread that his claims, if not viewed with co tempt, would be treated with neglect.

The State governments beheld with anxious ſuſpenſe, the movements of the army. T

ſituation of this ſtate was more than ordinarily perilous. A large part of the army was embodied in its very heart, and had poſſeſſion of its fortreſſes, and from theſe they might ſecurely iſſue, and conquer or pillage, until the ambition of the leaders, or the wants of the followers were fully ſatisfied. To diſſipate the impending danger, the Legiſlature of this State on the 27th of March, 1783, declared, that they would not only ſatisfy the promiſe of Congreſs relative to bounty lands, but would add to it at the rate of five acres for each one ſo promiſed. By this largeſs the ſoldiery were to be ſatisfied of the ſenſe which was felt by the community for their ſervices, when thoſe ſervices were no longer required, and of the certainty of a future reward. It was a kind of peace offering, which the times and the arts of deſigning men made neceſſary. Theſe reſolutions were communicated to the army with a careful and ſuſpicous diſpatch, and we have inſtances of ſales early in the April following.

The Commiſſioners of the Land-Office, in carrying theſe reſolutions into effect, have given them an expoſition which renders them more extenſive, and the objects of bounty more numerous than thoſe of Congreſs. While the latter makes proviſion only for thoſe *ſlain* by the enemy, the Commiſſioners have granted, without exception, to every deceaſed ſoldier, whether he was killed in the field or died of ſickneſs. We think that this was evidently exceeding the intention of the ſtate.

That the Legiſlature did not carry their views beyond the deſcription of perſons who are named as the objects of bounty by Congreſs, may be ſatisfactorily collected from the wording of their reſolution: they expreſs a willingneſs to diſcharge the engagement of Congreſs, and *beſides* the bounty promiſed by that body, they are to make an *additional* grant. But all heſitation is at an end when the ſubſequent laws are duly conſidered.—From them it will appear, that the Commiſſioners were to require an aſſignment of the national bounty for the uſe of the ſtate, and when ſuch aſſignment could not be procured, a reſervation was to be made in the patent iſſued, anſwering in quantity to ſuch bounty; thus impliedly, but forcibly negativing the conſtruction, that the objects of bounty were more numerous under the reſolutions of the ſtate Legiſlature, than under thoſe of Congreſs.

We think too, that by an attentive examination of the reſolutions of the 27th of March, 1783, it will be ſeen that thoſe reſolutions are really leſs extenſive than the reſolution of Congreſs, and that it was not the intention of the Legiſlature to give the additional bounty, to perſons not then in exiſtence. We have already hinted at the hiſtory of theſe reſolutions. While the object of the one was to procure enliſtments, the object of the other was to accelerate a peaceable retirement of the troops. From this it would reſult, that the donation would be thus circumſcribed, for the dead would awaken no apprehenſion. The reſolutions accordingly provide for the generals *now* ſerving in the army; for all officers whoſe depreciation or pay ought to be made good by this ſtate, and who may hold commiſſions in the army, at the *cloſe* of the war; for *the* officers and privates of *Cortlandt's* and *Van Schaick's* regiments. Thus in moſt caſes explicitly, and in all others impliedly making preſent ſervices and preſent exiſtence a condition on the part of the donee.

There is one circumſtance attending this buſineſs too impreſſive to remain unnoticed. This ſtate at firſt, raiſed four regiments in the eighty battalions, and afterwards an additional regiment was ordered on the continental eſtabliſhment. Thus we had five regiments, commmanded by as many colonels: before the cloſe of the war, our quota was reduced to two regiments under the command of Van Cortlandt and Van Schaick. The donation by the reſolutions is confined to thoſe two regiments only: if it had been the intention of the Legiſlature to have made their gratuity to run parallel in all caſes with the congreſſional bounty, they certainly would have mentioned the officers and ſoldiers of the three diſbanded regiments who had been killed in battle; that they did not do ſo, is concluſive to ſhew that no addition was intended to the bounties of deceaſed ſoldiers.

The act of the 6th of April, 1790, affords a powerful argument in favor of this conſtruction. This act may in ſome meaſure be regarded as a legiſlative expoſition of the reſolution of the 27th of March, 1783. When the Legiſlature gave an operation to the grants; from the date of the reſolution, it muſt be preſumed that they underſtood the legal effect of this proviſion; and if they really intended to have carried the gratuity to the repreſentatives of the perſons who died before the cloſe of the war, they would have made the property to veſt in the patentee, without ſpecifying a time, or at all events they would have taken a point ſo remote as to have included all poſſible caſes, and this could eaſily and readily have been done, by adopting the date of the reſolutions of Congreſs.

If the deductions we have made are founded in truth, the inference is plain, that until the iſſuing of the patents, the repreſentatives of ſoldiers, who died before the 27th of March, 1783, the purchaſers from ſuch repreſentatives had no claim to the ſtate bounty; it only remains then to conſider, whether theſe patents can give ſuch claim.

It certainly involves ſomething like an abſurdity, to ſay that the patents gave no right, and yet that they did give a right. We may remark that the Commiſſioners of the Land-Office iſſued theſe patents either under a miſtake and through miſapprehenſion, or they did ſo knowingly, ſurpaſſing their authority. It would be a ſtrange doctrine, that if the patent was gained by miſapprehenſion, it would give a claim to legiſlative inteference and aid, to render it valid and perfect. It would be ſtill more ſtrange, if in caſes where the officers entruſted by government with the management of their property, knowingly aſſent to a demand which ought never to have been made,

and if made, to have been repelled, the perſons who are to be benefited by ſuch aſſent, ſhould hold it up as veſting a right, and claim the protection of the community in the exerciſe of ſuch right. Principles like theſe, if adopted by the Legiſlature, would be productive of great miſchief. It would hold out a ſtrong temptation to vice, and afford a ſhelter to fraud. Good ſenſe and ſound policy dictate a different rule, and we think that if it really appeared, in caſes where the property had even veſted, that the grant had been unduly obtained, an enquiry ought to be inſtituted and the grant vacated.

That the Legiſlature never intended to delegate an abſolute authority to the Commiſſioners, in ſelecting the objects of bounty, may be collected among other public acts from the third ſection of the act of the 28th February, 1789. By this they are directed after a certain time to proceed to examine and determine the claims of the perſons and their legal repreſentatives entitled to grants, *ſo that the bounty and gratuity intended to be given by the ſtate, be not extended to perſons who may not be entitled thereto.*

Upon the whole, after a long and laborious inveſtigation of this buſineſs, we are fully of opinion, that the ſtate is not bound by any exiſting engagement, to render theſe grants valid and operative. It follows then, that all applications on this ſubject muſt be made to the *munificence* of the Legiſlature, and not to their *juſtice.*

Before we cloſe we muſt be permitted to remark, that a very conſiderable number of theſe lots are now in a ſtate of cultivation. Whatever may be the title of the occupants as to the right of property, they are perhaps juſtified in conſidering their labor as their own. Many of the ſettlers have waſted the vigor of their days in ameliorating the ſoil, and it would render the evening of their lives dark indeed, to deprive them of the fruits of their induſtry and care. We beg leave therefore, with all poſſible deference, to recommend to the Legiſlature the claims of theſe perſons as far as they reſpect the improvements they have made.

The importance of the ſubject, will, we truſt, be deemed a ſufficient apology for the length of this communication.

We are, with due reſpect,
Your Excellency's moſt obedient,
And moſt humble Servants,
ROBERT YATES,
VINCENT MATHEWS,
JAMES EMOTT.

His Excellency JOHN JAY, Eſquire.
ALBANY, Feb. 17, 1800.

Dead of the ſeveral REGIMENTS.

Names.	*Regiment.*	*Towns.*	*Lots.*
A.			
AMMORMON James	2d	Sempronius	2
Auſtin Jeremiah	2d	Milton	7
Abby Samuel Serjt.	3d	Lyſander	4
Atkins Robert	4th	Locke	9
Anthony Francis	4th	Cato	6
Ackerman Daniel	3d	Solon	
Ackerman Benjamin	3d	do.	
Abbot William		Milton	
Atkinſon Philip	Malcom's	Cato	
B.			
Bingham James	2d	Solon	
Belmy Silas	4th	Sempronius	
Bucker Henry Serjt.	4th	Ulyſſes	
Boyles Job drummer	Livingſton's	Milton	
Brock Nathaniel	do.	Tully	
Bonker William	5th	Ovid	
Benjamin Jonathan	2d	Homer	
Boclannen Henry	4th	Aurelius	
Baſſett William	4th	Homer	
Beddel Moſes	1ſt	Junius	
Berry Charles	4th	Hector	
Blaze Chriſtian	4th	Aurelius	
Bryon Thomas	4th	Romulus	

Names	*Regiments.*	*Towns.*	*Lots.*
...mley John corporal	1ſt	Locke	43
...rett Walter	1ſt	Tully	57
...lin William	1ſt	Solon	35
...ick Samuel	1ſt	Manlius	65
...own John	1ſt	Homer	53
...rs David	1ſt	Brutus	23
...nſon William	2d	Lyſander	95
...ack Archibald	1ſt	Milton	58
...anniel Iſaac	2d	Ulyſſes	13
...ll Joſeph	2d	Tully	2
...ntly William	5th	Solon	46
...ckhout William	2d	Manlius	31
...rling Levi	2d	Romulus	98
...y Thomas corporal	1ſt	Ovid	54
...adner Thomas	1ſt	do.	66
...rden Robert	1ſt	Fabius	24
...ll John corporal	1ſt	Ulyſſes	27
...rance Henry	4th	Marcellus	27
...rk Edmund	1ſt	Junius	6
...rett John	1ſt	Ovid	33
...lner K Chriſtopher or Chriſtian	1ſt	do.	95
...bbett Reuben	1ſt	Cato	1
...rett James	1ſt	Scipio	95
...ar Jacob	1ſt	Hector	34
...own Jonas ſergeant	2d	Solon	27
...ulton Jonathan	2d	Homer	23
...ckhout John	2d	Solon	15
...own James	2d	Brutus	56
...oe Chriſtian	2d	Aurelius	34
...rton Robert	Artillery	Sempronius	64
...eckhorn Jeremiah	3d	Junius	2
C.			
...riſley John corporal	2d	Solon	86
...on William	2d	Homer	24
...le Henry	2d	Sempronius	39
...rten Thomas	2d	Tully	28
...ox John	1ſt	do.	80
...rwin Silas	2d	Milton	61
...ine Jacob	1ſt	Ovid	98
...in Abel	1ſt	Cato	23
...atfield Samuel	1ſt	Brutus	21
...acy Stephen	1ſt	Manlius	35
...riſtian Peter	2d	Brutus	6
...atfield David	1ſt	Aurelius	90
...raig John	4th	Fabius	86
...raig John	1ſt	do.	25
...riſtian Anthony	Livingſton's	Virgil	50
...laghan John	1ſt	Brutus	50
...dgrove John	1ſt	Romulus	91
...afely Peter	1ſt	Hector	63
...affman John	1ſt	Brutus	17
...nnon John	1ſt	Hector	58
...ooper John	2d	Ulyſſes	41
...riſtian Benjamin	2d	Virgil	9
...larke James	4th	Hannibal	71
...ook John	Malcom's	Aurelius	42
...ollord Matthew fifer	do.	Pompey	21
...ole Benjamin	Artillery	Milton	36
...ondon David	2d	Junius	95
D.			
...e Foreſt Abraham	1ſt	Junius	62
...mond Moſes	2d	Camillus	70
...epuy John	2d	Tully	92
...ewny Eliſha	2d	Cincinnatus	30
...ummond David	2d	Locke	62
...ngman Adam	1ſt	Dryden	59

Names	*Regiments.*	*Towns.*
De Witt Aaron	1ſt	Sempronius
Dunlap James	1ſt	Brutus
Davis Jacob	1ſt	Solon
Delvin Frances	1ſt	Hannibal
De Rotter George	1ſt	Camillus
Dunham Iſrael	1ſt	Cato
De Staatſman Jean	1ſt	Dryden
Downs Patrick	3d	Camillus
Dayton Samuel	4th	Hector
Dayton Samuel jun.	4th	Ulyſſes
Decker John	4th	Junius
De Mott Peter	4th	Sempronius
Dickens Peter	2d	Milton
Dimmick Perius	Artillery	Galen
E.		
Eggen Elijah	2d	Sempronius
Evance John	2d	Milton
Ellis Jacob	2d	Dryden
Evance William	4th	Locke
Engliſh John	4th	Ovid
Edwards David	4th	Virgil
Ennis David	2d	Homer
Erwin John drum-major	2d	Junius
F.		
Frymier John drummer	2d	Romulus
Fenton Amos	2d	Ovid
Fields Philip	2d	Marcellus
Flyharty Stephen	1ſt	Camillus
Frank Jacob	1ſt	Cato
Fowles James	1ſt	Hannibal
Fing Samuel	4th	Hector
Foy Edmund ſergeant	1ſt	Ovid
Funno Anthony	1ſt	Sempronius
France Peter	4th	Locke
France John	4th	Homer
Flinn Andrew	1ſt	Fabius
Fletcher Samuel or Larance	4th	Pompey
Flagley John	Artillery	Cincinnatus
Frazer Jeremiah	1ſt	Junius
G.		
Gilchriſt John	4th	Junius
Gray Benjamin	4th	Sempronins
Graham Moſes	2d	Fabius
Gipſon Robert	2d	Camillus
Gauld John	2d	Homer
George Robert	1ſt	Hector
Guthrick Chriſtian	1ſt	Milton
Garret James	1ſt	Locke
Gorman Richard	1ſt	Fabius
Gillaſpy James	4th	Marcellus
Gulderſlieve Daniel ſergt.	Malcomb's	Milton
Groſs John	1ſt	Marcellus
Goodwin Joſeph	Artillery	Junius
Gerrit Samuel	1ſt	do.
H.		
Houſeman George	1ſt	Camillus
Harriſon Philip	1ſt	Ovid
Hungerford David	1ſt	Cincinnatus
Helderith Eliſiath	1ſt	Locke
Headly Biſhip	1ſt	Hector
Holly Benjamin	1ſt	Camillus
Hawkins Iſaac	1ſt	Ovid
Herrick William	4th	Camillus
Hooker John	4th	Cincinnatus
Hill Joſhua	5th	Ovid
Harris Cato	2d	Homer

Names.	Regiments.	Towns.	Lots.
Hunter Ezekiel	5th	Solon	76
Harrin Michael	2d	Lyſander	46
Henderſon Eliſha	1ſt	Locke	35
Henley David	1ſt	Solon	7
Hoſkins Thomas	1ſt	Ovid	92
Hays Thomas	1ſt	Homer	89
Henry Michael	3d	Solon	44
Hyle Conradt	3d	Pompey	79
Hanſon Nicholas	3d	Fabius	69
Howel Jehiel	4th	Ulyſſes	47
Haggerty Enos	Artillery	Brutus	33
Higgins Thomas	do.	Hector	85
Hotchkiſs William	2d	Junius	50
Hallack Jonathan	2d	do.	88
I.			
Johnſton James	2d	Cicero	7
Johnſton Uriah corporal	4th	Homer	14
Jolly Richard	1ſt	Hannibal	87
Joſeph Reuben	1ſt	Cato	14
Joyce James	2d	Galen	89
Jeremiah John	1ſt	Locke	12
Ivorey William	1ſt	Manlius	42
Joice Joſeph	2d	Fabius	92
Ingram Thomas	5th	Brutus	19
Jerrell Ezekiel	Livingſton's	Solon	93
Jacobs John	1ſt	Fabius	75
Jarvis Nathaniel	2d	Galen	82
K.			
Kelly Barney	2d	Brutus	81
Kymon William ſergeant	2d	Fabius	20
Kelly John mats.	Artillery	Dryden	13
Kator James	1ſt	Manlius	21
Kelly Chriſtian	Livingſton's	Sempronius	19
Knapp Aaron		Junius	63
L.			
Leary Readey	2d	Sempronius	88
Lord Benjamin	2d	Solon	87
Lanney Philip	2d	Fabius	6
Lent Hendrick	2d	Milton	15
Lent Abraham	2d	Hector	62
Lynch Owin	1ſt	Dryden	68
Leatham John	4th	Sempronius	18
Lamb Iſaac	3d	Cicero	62
Lockhart John	3d	Aurelius	79
Livingſton William	Livingſton's	Milton	30
Lee John	Warner's	Sempronius	98
Lettles James	5th	Junius	48
Levinas Henry	4th	do.	8
M.			
Miller Juſtus	4th	Junius	48
M'Farland Hozea	1ſt	do.	10
Morphet William	2d	Hector	91
Mitchel Samuel	2d	Scipio	36
M'Kenney James	2d	Homer	45
Maſon Thomas	2d	Milton	83
M'Peek Dennis corporal	2d	Marcellus	86
Mapps John	4th	Hector	40
M'Clarning David	4th	Solon	90
M'Evers John ſergeant	4th	Fabius	65
Murphy Daniel	4th	Solon	34
Monirth James	5th	Cato	98
Moore Abraham	1ſt	Cato	37
Morris M. Henry	1ſt	Solon	73
M'Chalkey Peter fifer	2d	Manlius	30
Meſſer Moſes	1ſt	Milton	26

Names.	*Regiments.*	*Towns.*
M'Kinzie Malcom	1ſt	Homer
M'Henry Henry	1ſt	Ovid
Miller David	1ſt	Scipio
M'Names Charles	2d	Locke
M'Curney Stephhen	2d	Sempronius
Mattiſon Samuel	3d	Tully
Marſh Ephraim	1ſt	Homer
Melcher Paul	2d	Sempronius
M'Lean Daniel	Artillery	Galen
N.		
Nelſon Jonathan	1ſt	Ulyſſes
Norton Henry	1ſt	Cato
O.		
Oothoudt Tilman	2d	Dryden
Oſterhoudt Peter	5th	Hector
Owens Thomas	3d	Romulus
P.		
Philips Jonathan	4th	Homer
Padrick John	2d	Ulyſſes
Pumpſhin Daniel	2d	Locke
Palmitier Joſeph	2d	Aurelius
Parks Walter	Livingſton's	Ovid
Potter Iſaac	2d	Homer
Price Benjamin	3d	Milton
Pearſons John	4th	Hector
Peokins Titus	Artillery	Solon
Plugh Nicholſon	2d	Galen
Q.		
Quackenboſs John	1ſt	Tully
Quackenboſs Benjamin	Artillery	Virgil
Quackenboſs Jacobus	Warner's	Brutus
R.		
Ruſſell Thomas	2d	Romulus
Reeves Joſeph	1ſt	Milton
Reamer John George	1ſt	Pompey
Reed Nathaniel	1ſt	Fabius
Revilea Lewis	1ſt	Virgil
Randall Henry	1ſt	do.
Ruland Ezekiel	4th	Fabius
Rynor Ichabod	4th	Homer
Richardſon Alexander	5th	Cato
Richey John	5th	Hector
Rhodes Cornelius	5th	Sempronius
Robertſon John	1ſt	Aurelius
Ricley Lewis	1ſt	Cato
Roſe Axry	2d	Solon
Rennee Coral	3d	Fabius
Rullins William	Artillery	Homer
S.		
Sherwood Micajah	2d	Galen
Shultz Peter		
Sliter John	1ſt	Locke
Slingerlandt Peter	1ſt	do.
Sytes Chriſtopher	1ſt	do.
Sager Thomas	1ſt	Tully
Shelly John	1ſt	Hector
Seeds George	2d	Scipio
Shaw John	2d	Pompey
Spelſbury Jacob	2d	Scipio
Smith B. Egbert	2d	Virgil
Stagg John	4th	Milton
Sweet Roger	5th	Aurelius
Simmonds Ephraim	5th	Milton
Smith John	5th	Homer
Stall John C.	1ſt	Brutus
Smith John	1ſt	Locke

Names.	*Regiments.*	*Towns.*	*Lots.*
Smith John ſergeant	2d	Dryden	32
Secoder John	2d	Milton	88
Shall John	3d	Sempronius	76
Smith John fifer	3d	Ovid	44
Saylors Jacob	3d	Dryden	20
Sullivan John	3d	Cicero	68
Saxbury William	1ſt	Galen	36
T			
Tongue George	5th	Sempronius	74
Tobias Jacob	5th	Locke	28
Ten Eyck John	2d	Cicero	30
Tyce William	4th	Cincinnatus	45
Tucker John	4th	Sempronius	14
Thomas John	4th	Locke	78
Tool John	4th	Tully	77
Tuttil James	1ſt	Solon	56
Travis Jacob	2d	Aurelius	59
Templar Thomas	2d	Milton	34
Thompſon William	2d	do.	65
Thorn Samuel	1ſt	Fabius	90
Terry Samuel	4th	Brutus	63
Thompſon Archibald	5th	Hector	89
Tumand Peter	4th	Junius	83
V			
Veeder Aaron	1ſt	Solon	13
Vallance William	1ſt	Cincinnatus	46
Van Voſt Chriſtian	1ſt	Hector	77
Vulva Thomas	2d	do.	36
Van Kleck Peter, Serjeant	2d	Manlius	67
Van Taſſell Cornelius	2d	Pompey	43
Vandavour John	4th	Brutus	48
Vandermarken Gysbert	5th	Cicero	60
Van Gelder Jacob	5th	Ovid	7
Van Huyſen John	Lee's	Galen	56
W			
Wall Patrick	1ſt	Fabius	12
Willigon David	1ſt	do.	61
Williams Charles	1ſt	Cato	64
Witham William	1ſt	Junius	15
Wilſtice John	1ſt	do.	96
Welding Robert	1ſt	do.	89
Wills John	1ſt	do.	64
Walker Juſtus	2d	do.	80
Waterman Henry	2d	do.	39
Williams Francis	2d	do.	53
Whiteman Joſeph	2d	do.	20
White John	2d	do.	59
Williams Robert	3d	Romulus	31
White Stephen	4th	Junius	32
Watſon Levi, Drummer	5th	do.	69
Walker John	Malcoms	do.	26
Wood Jeſſe	Art'y	do.	92
Wilcox John, Drummer	do.	do.	75
Winn Peter	1ſt	do.	73

Ordered, That the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, together with the papers accompanying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That one hundred and ſixty copies of the ſaid meſſage, and report, be forthwith printed.

The commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, to whom were referred the petition of Reuben Atterton and others, reported,

That on the 27th of March, 1783, the following reſolution was adopted by both Houſes of the Legiſlature: "Whereas Congreſs, by an act of the 16th September, 1776, did reſolve that the following gratuity of bounty lands ſhould be given to officers, non-commiſſioned officers and privates ſerving in the continental army, to wit. To a colonel, 500 acres; to a lieutenant-

colonel, 450 acres; to a major, 400 acres; to a captain, 300 acres; to a lieutenant, 200 acres; to an enſign, 150 acres, and to each non-commiſſioned officer and private, 100 acres: And by an act of the 12th of Auguſt, 1780, did declare, that a major-general ſhould have 1100 acres, and a brigadier-general, 850 acres. And whereas the Legiſlature of this State are not only willing to take upon themſelves to diſcharge the ſaid engagement of Congreſs ſo far as it relates to the line of this ſtate, but likewiſe, as a gratuity to the ſaid line, and to evince the juſt ſenſe this Legiſlature entertain of the patriotiſm and virtue of the troops of this State, ſerving in the army of the United States, Reſolved therefore, That beſides the bounty of lands, ſo promiſed as aforeſaid, the Legiſlature will by law provide that the major-generals and brigadier-generals *now* ſerving in the line of the army of the United States, and *being* citizens of this State, and the officers, non-commiſſioned officers and privates of the *two* regiments of infantry, commanded by colonels *Van Schaick* and *Van Cortlandt*, ſuch of the officers of the regiment of artillery, commanded by colonel Lamb, and of the corps of ſappers and miners, as were, when they entered the ſervice, inhabitants of this State, ſuch of the non-commiſſioned officers and privates of the ſaid two corps, as are credited to this State, as part of the troops thereof, all officers deranged by acts of Congreſs ſubſequent to the 16th September, 1776, all officers recommended by Congreſs as perſons whoſe depreciation on pay ought to be made good by this State, and who may hold military commiſſions in the line of the army at the cloſe of the war, and the rev. John Maſon and John Gano, ſhall ſeverally have granted to them the following quantities of land, to wit. to a major-general, 5500 acres; a brigadier-general, 4250 acres; a colonel, 2500 acres; a lieutenant-colonel, 2250 acres; a major, 2000 acres; a captain, and regimental ſurgeon, each 1500 acres; each of the ſaid chaplains, 2000 acres; each ſubaltern and ſurgeon's mate, 1000 acres, and each non-commiſſioned officer and private, 500 acres.

That by the act of the 28th of February, 1789, the country, ſince known by the name of the military tract, was ordered to be laid into towns and lots, in order to ſatisfy the claims of all ſuch perſons, as were entitled to grants of land by the ſaid concurrent reſolutions, and letters patent were directed to be iſſued for each individual ſhare.

That by the act of the 6th of April, 1790, it is ordered, that the letters patent ſhould iſſue in the names of the perſons who actually ſerved in the army of the United States, as deſignated in the ſaid concurrent reſolutions, granting the ſame to ſuch perſons, and to their heirs and aſſigns, for ever. And it is declared that the lands ſo to be granted, ſhall be deemed to have veſted in the reſpective grantees, and their heirs and aſſigns reſpectively, on the 27th day of March, 1783.

That by the firſt mentioned act, it is made the duty of the commiſſioners of the land-office to take an account of the perſons to whom lands ſhould be granted, and who were entitled thereto by any act or reſolution of Congreſs, and to require from each of the ſaid perſons an aſſignment of his proportion and claim of bounty and gratuity lands, under any acts of Congreſs, for the uſe of the State.

That by the ſecond mentioned act, it is declared, that in caſes where the commiſſioners could not procure ſuch aſſignment, a reſervation ſhould be made, in the patents to be iſſued, anſwering to the bounty promiſed by Congreſs.

That the commiſſioners of the land-office, ſome time in the year 1790, iſſued letters patent in the name of Iſaac Lamb, for 500 acres of lot No. 62, in the townſhip of Cicero, reſerving the remaining 100 acres of the ſame lot to the State, as the continental bounty had not been aſſigned if it was ever due.

That from the petition, and the documents accompanying the ſame, it appears the ſaid Iſaac Lamb entered the American army, as a private, in the regiment commanded by *Col. Henry B. Livingſton*, and that he was killed in battle, at the taking of Burgoyne, in the year 1777.

From the preceding ſtatement of facts, we are decidedly of opinion, that the letters patent ſo iſſued, can have no legal operation. The principle is obvious, that a grant, to a perſon not in exiſtence, is nugatory. It is true, that by the power of the Legiſlature, the patent is made to have relation to a day anterior to its iſſuing; and it is equally true, that the ſame power can extend that relation to a period ſtill more remote; but as the patent is to have its operation from the 27th March, 1783, and as the patentee had then been dead for nearly ſix years, the conſequence is, that no property paſſed. The expreſſion in the act, that the lands ſhall be granted to the man and to his heirs and aſſigns, does not, in our view of the caſe, vary the operation of the grant. The words heirs and aſſigns, as here uſed, are merely uſed to deſignate the quantity of intereſt, and are not deſcriptive of the perſons who are to take.

We do not know, how far it was the intention of your honorable body, that we ſhould give an opinion reſpecting the validity of this claim, except under the aforeſaid grant. But, as we deem it better to err, by doing more than is required from us than leſs, we proceed to remark, that the ſuggeſtion in the petition that Iſaac Lamb entered the army with a promiſe of a bounty of 500 acres of land is eſſentially wrong; the only bounty which was promiſed him, either at the time he entered the ſervice, or during the period he continued in the army, was the continental bounty of 100 acres.

The claim to the 500 acres originated in the reſolutions of March, 1783, and, excluſive of the conſideration that thoſe reſolutions contemplate perſons then living, it appears that the ſaid Joſeph

Lamb does not come within any of the deſcriptions in the ſame reſolutions, and we are therefore of opinion that the State is not bound by any exiſting promiſe to make good this claim.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

ROBERT YATES,
VINCENT MATHEWS,
JAMES EMOTT.

The Hon. Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire,
Speaker of the Aſſembly.

February 17th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report, together with the ſeveral petitions referred to them, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe, when on the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor laſt mentioned.

Ordered, That one hundred and ſixty copies of the ſaid report be forthwith printed.

Mr. Riggs, from the committee appointed for the purpoſe, brought in according to order a bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Henry, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act providing for the erection of new towns, and altering the boundary lines between towns before erected," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 20th, 1800.

Francis Nicoll, a member of this Houſe, returned as duly elected in the city and county of Albany, appeared in the Aſſembly chamber, and Dirck Ten Broeck, Eſquire, Speaker of this Houſe, one of the commiſſioners, appointed by a commiſſion in nature of a *dedimus poteſtatem*, to adminiſter oaths, adminiſtered to Mr. Nicoll the oaths preſcribed by law.

Ordered, That Mr. Nicoll do take his ſeat.

The bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the city of New-York, to order the raiſing monies by tax for the maintenance of the poor, and for defraying the other contingent expences ariſing in the city and county of New-York, and for other purpoſes," the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow of John Hanſon, deceaſed," and the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Jacob Sharpe and others, inhabitants of the county of Kings, relative to the "Act for the partition of lands," was read, and referred to Mr. Everton, Mr. Landon and Mr. Nicoll.

A petition of Moſes Watkins and others, inhabitants of the county of Rutland, in the State of Vermont, praying a grant of vacant lands in the town of Jay and county of Eſſex, was read, and referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Teed, Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Savage.

A petition of the preſident, directors and company of the Columbia turnpike corporation, praying alterations in their act of incorporation, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Columbia.

A petition of Caſparus Hewſon and others, inhabitants of the city of Albany, praying alterations in the laws regulating buildings in the ſaid city, was read, and referred to the members from the city and county of Albany.

A petition of David Hoſack, M. D. profeſſor of botany and Materia Medica, in Columbia college, relative to eſtabliſhing a botanic garden, and praying a grant of £300 per annum, for five years, for ſuch purpoſe, was read, and referred to Mr. Wood, Mr. Henry and Mr. Maſters.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. L'Hommedieu and Mr. Mathews, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read. That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the late Comptroller to continue in the exerciſe of the ſaid office," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs, and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th February, 1798," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. L'Hommedieu and Mr. Mathews, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the commiſſioners of the land-office be directed to ſettle with the St. Regis Indians for ſuch tracts of land, included in the lands confirmed to them by the late treaty, and before located by individuals and granted by this State, by making compenſation for the land ſo granted, or by ſatisfying the Individuals owning ſuch lands in ſuch manner as they ſhall jndge moſt advantageous to the State, and the Legiſlature will make provision for carrying into effect any agreement which may be made by the commiſſioners for extinguiſhing the claims of the ſaid Indians or of the individual proprietors aforeſaid.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Comb, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Archibald Campbell, reported, That the petitioner ſtates that he received from John McKay adminiſtrator of the eſtate of Archibald Campbell, deceaſed, a ſealed note against Beaverly Robinſon for one hundred pounds, ſixteen ſhillings, executed to the ſaid Archibald Campbell, deceaſed, the 8th day of February, 1772, by the ſaid Beaverly Robinſon, bearing intereſt from the date, with an indorſement thereon of twenty four pounds, four ſhillings, the 18th February, 1776, together with a petition to the Legiſlature of this State, in the month of February, 1795. For which ſaid note the petitioner gave his receipt to the ſaid John McKay, promiſing to return the ſame, or the one equal half of the amount of the ſaid note, in caſe the Honorable the Legiſlature ſhould order it to be paid out of the eſtate or the ſaid Beaverly Robinſon, forfeited by his attainder to this State.

That on the 9th of February, 1796, another petition from the ſaid McKay was preſented to the Legiſlature, which was referred to a committee, of which Mr. Wood was chairman. That the ſaid note was delivered to Mr. Wood, who afterwards delivered the ſame to the then clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, Mr. Ke That the petitioner has made repeated applications to the clerk's office, but the ſaid note is not to be found, as appears from a certificate of James Van Inge the preſent clerk of the Aſſembly.

The petitioner further ſtates, that by the loſs of the ſaid note, he is not only deprived from recovering the debt from the heirs of the ſaid Beaverly Robinſon, but is holden to pay one half of the amount of ſaid note to the ſaid John McKay.

The committee, finding the facts contained in the ſaid petition to be truly ſtated therefore are of opinion, that the petitioner is entitled to relief, and that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Comb brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Archibald Campbell which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Richard Williams, reported, That from the returns of the 5th regiment, commanded by col. Dubois, to which the petitioner ſays he belonged, it appears that Richard Williams enliſted and was diſcharged in 1780, and that Richard Williams jun. enliſted and deſerted 12th Sept. 1778. No other perſon of the ſame name found in this regiment. The petitioner muſt be one or the other of the above mentioned perſons, and if either, is not by law entitled to the bounty of land which

e claims. They are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner ought ot to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition f John F. Haman, reported, That from an examination of the returns from the 3d egiment, commanded by col. Ganſevoort, it appears, that the petitioner enliſted n the ſaid regiment, and deſerted on the 30th May, 1781. The committee are herefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Lodowick Hoornbeck, reported, That the petitioner ſtates he is entitled to bounty lands in conſequence of having procured Martin Neilſon to enliſt in the 2d regiment of State troops, commanded by col. Cortlandt. The committee find that no returns were made from this regiment of this perſon; but, that by a return from Malcom's regiment, it appears that a *Martin Neilſon* enliſted in that regiment, and deſerted a few days after, and, that from a compariſon of dates, he is the ſame perſon mentioned in the petition. The committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims on the petition of Thomas Tredwell Jackſon, reported, That the petitioner was a citizen of this State, and ſerved as a lieutenant in the 2d regiment of light dragoons, commanded by lieutenant-colonel Shelden, from the year 1777 to the concluſion of the war, and was returned as one of the quota of this State, and received his depreciation of pay from the commiſſioners Gaſherie, Moffat and Haring. That, being unfortunate in buſineſs, the petitioner transferred to his creditors his claim for bounty lands; they never received the patent, and have ſince relinquiſhed to him their right to the ſame. It is the opinion of the committee that the petitioner is juſtly entitled to relief, that his prayer ought to be granted, and that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of William Lighthall, reported, That the petitioner was a lieutenant in col. Seth Warner's regiment of continental troops, was returned as one of the quota of this State, and received his depreciation of pay from this State. That the petiti oner was a citizen of this State when he entered the ſervice, and was taken priſoner and carried to Canada in October, 1780, and remained there a priſoner of war until the autumn of the year 1782, and conſequently was not included in the returns from the ſaid regiment. It is the opinion of the committee that the petitioner is juſtly entitled to the bounty of two rights of land, equal to 1000 acres. And that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill granting the ſame to him.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Mathews and Mr. Myers, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of the Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to take into conſideration the report of the directors of the weſtern inland lock navigation company, and report thereon; and, in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Gold, Mr. Vail and Mr. Van Vechten be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution; and that Mr. Stevens, Mr. Winne, Mr. Lamb, Mr. Hall and Mr. Williams be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkemer and Mr. Humfrey deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Mathe and Mr. Myers, was read, and is in the words following, to wit.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the executive and ju dicial officers of this State, who may be in Albany, on the 22d inſtant, be invite to join in the proceſſion, and attend on the exerciſes which may be performed on th day, in honor of the memory of General Waſhington; and that the clerks of th Senate and Aſſembly tranſmit a copy of the preceding reſolution to each of th officers aforeſaid.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid pre ceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Johnſon deliver a copy of the precedin reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An a to amend the act, entitled "An act to aſcertain weights and meaſures within th State," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendment filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report t the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at th table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Jack ſon and others, with the report of the Attorney-General thereon, reported, That i the opinion of the committee leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill granting re lief. Leave being given, Mr. Wood brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act t amend the act, entitled "An act regulating the liberties of gaols," which was rea the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp or bog-meadow, known by the name of the *Little Binne Water*, in the town of Walkill, in the county of O range," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amend ments, added a clauſe, altered the title to "An act making proviſion for drainin a certain tract of ſwamp or bog meadow, known by the name of the *Little Binn Water*, in the towns of Walkill and Miniſinck, in the county of Orange," and agree to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the repor in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, an agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, that the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That a joint committee of th Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to conſider and report, by bill or otherwiſe, up on the repreſentation of the inſpectors of the State-priſon to the Legiſlature; an that Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Steenback, Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Taber and Mr. Mont fort be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Johnſon deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, recorder and alder men of the city of New-York to order the raiſing monies by tax for the mainte nance of the poor, and for defraying the other contingent expences, ariſing in the city and county of New-York, and for other purpoſes," and that the ſame be com mitted to the members from the city and county of New-York.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 21ſt, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act providing for the erection of new towns, and altering the boundary lines between towns before erected," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to aſ certain weights and meaſures within this State, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act to aſ-
ain weights and meaſures within this State," was read the third time.
Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.
The engroſſed bill, entitled " An act making proviſion for draining a certain
t of ſwamp and bog meadow, known by the name of the " *Little Binne Water*,"
the towns of Walkill and Miniſink, in the county of Orange," was read the third
e.
Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.
Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon deliver the three laſt mentioned bills
the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.
The bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Archibald Campbell;" the bill, en-
led " An act to amend an act, entitled " An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſer-
e and return of proceſs, and the act, entitled " An act concerning coroners, paſ-
the 24th February, 1798," and the bill, entitled " An act to amend an act re-
lating the liberties of gaols," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed
a committee of the whole Houſe.
The bill, entitled " An act to authorize the late Comptroller of this State to con-
ue in the exerciſe of the ſaid office," was read a ſecond time.
Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould be committed to a
mmittee of the whole Houſe, and it paſſed in the negative.
A petition of Batchelor Sherman, of Cambridge, in the county of Waſhington,
aying a grant of bounty lands for the military ſervices of Aſher Ford; a petition
Ann Barber, widow and executrix of col. William Barber, deceaſed, praying
mpenſation for the ſervices of her ſaid huſband during the American war, and a
tition of David Hicock, of the town of Franklin, in the county of Dutcheſs, re-
tive to a demand againſt this State, for ſupplies furniſhed during the late war,
re ſeverally read and referred to the committee of claims.
A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of Haerlem, in the county of New-
ork, relative to a diviſion of their common lands, was read, and referred to the
embers from the city and county of New-York.
A memorial of Joſiah Patterſon, jun. and Aſel King, jun. in behalf of themſelves
d others, reſiding in the town of Canaan, in the county of Columbia, ſtating that
the conſent of the Attorney-General of this State, they cauſed to be inſtituted,
the name of the people, a proceſs to enquire into and in due courſe of law to e-
bliſh the right of the ſaid people to certain lands in the ſaid town and county,
d that the ſaid Attorney-General, by virtue of his official authority, hath under-
ken to interrupt or ſuſpend the progreſs of the ſaid enquiry, which the memorial-
s conceive is a direct violation of their rights derived under a law of this State;
d praying that the ſaid enquiry may be ſanctioned by the Legiſlature, or that the
ttorney-General may be directed to proſecute the ſame to effect, was read.
Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the conſideration of the ſaid memorial be poſtponed
til Wedneſday next.
A petition of Joſhua Oſtrom and others, praying a law eſtabliſhing a turnpike
mpany, for improving the road from Albany to Utica, on the ſouth ſide of the
ohawk river, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred ſo
uch of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the manner of in-
oducing bills for private incorporations.
Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, remonſtrating a-
inſt paſſing an act incorporating a company for improving the road from Pough-
epſie to Sharon, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred
much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the manner of
troducing bills for private incorporations.
Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Myers and
r. J. Morris, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the
nate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act directing the execution of Benjamin
olmes, convicted of murder," and the bill, entitled " An act authorizing the

ſupreme court to appoint ſittings at the city-hall of the city of Albany, after
nuary term, 1800," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid b
reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond readin

By unanimous conſent, the bill, entitled " An act directing the execution
Benjamin Holmes, convicted of murder," was read the ſecond time, and comm
ted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Meyers and Mr.
Morris, with the bill, amendments and a copy of the reſolution therein menti
ed, was read, That the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their firſt amen
ment to the bill, entitled " An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying
rears of quit-rent," paſſed April 5th, 1798, and to extend the time for the ſett
ment of land," and do concur in the other amendment to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendment be poſtponed un
Tueſday next.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Myers a
Mr. J. Morris, was read, and is in the words following, to wit.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of t
Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to conſider and report, by bill or otherwiſe,
the report of the governors of the New-York hoſpital; and, in caſe of ſuch co
currence, that Mr. Spencer, Mr. Coles and Mr. Gold be of the ſaid committee
the part of the Senate.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid pr
ceding reſolution, and that Mr. Oothout, Mr. Bill, Mr. Pettit, Mr. Teed and M
Towner be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Humfrey and Mr. King deliver a copy of the preceding r
ſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Phelps a
Mr. Ruſſel, was read, That the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſol
tion relative to appointing a joint committee of both Houſes, to conſider and r
port, by bill or otherwiſe, on the report of the inſpectors of the State-priſon; a
that Mr. L'Hommedieu, Mr. T. Morris and Mr. Van Vechten be of the ſaid co
mittee on the part of the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. M
Juſtice Radcliff, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, th
the bill, entitled " An act for raiſing a further ſum of money for compleating t
court-houſe and gaol in the county of Delaware," and the bill, entitled " An a
authorizing the raiſing of monies for the repairs of court-houſes and gaols," ſhou
reſpectively become laws of this State.

Then the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bi
entitled " An act directing the execution of Benjamin Holmes, convicted of mu
der," and after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and M
Wood, from the ſaid committee, reported, That the committee had gone throug
the bill, and agreed thereto without amendment, which he was directed to repo
to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in
the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Johnſon and Mr. King deliver the bill to the Hon. the S
nate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the committee of claims be diſcharged from the further conſide
ation of the petition of David Scauper, and that the ſame be committed to th
committee of the whole Houſe when on the report of the commiſſioners appointe
to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, on th
petition of Reuben Atterton and others.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petitio
of Mary Vrooman, reported, That Peter Deitz the former huſband of the pet

tioner is ſtated to have been a captain in col. Wemple's regiment, and was killed in the year 1777, of courſe not entitled by law to receive any bounty or gratuity of lands. It is the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of George Hunter, reported, That it appears by the affidavit of John Flack, clerk to George Hunter & Co. that a return was made to Samuel Jones, Eſq. Comptroller of this State, dated 17th December, 1798, of goods ſold at auction by the ſaid George Hunter & Co. amounting to 40.594 dolls. 83 cts. being the property of William Bryſon, who died inteſtate ſome time during the preceding autumn, and that the ſum of 1217 dolls. 84 cts. State duty was paid thereon. By the 9th ſection of the act for the regulation of ſales by public auction, paſſed the 20th February, 1784, the goods and effects of deceaſed perſons are exempted from duty. The committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted; and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of John Keeſe and Catharine Tillinghaſt, widow of Charles Tillinghaſt, reported, That the ſaid John Keeſe and Charles Tillinghaſt were citizens of this State, and ſerved in the army of the United States as aſſiſtants to col. Hughes, while deputy-quarter-maſter-general, and deputy-quarter-maſter for the State of New-York. That they were allowed by a reſolution of congreſs of May 14th, 1777, the pay and rank of captains in the army, but have received no other compenſation than their pay, not even their allowance for depreciation. The petitioners contend that this reſolution of Congreſs entitles them to the ſame bounty of land as has been granted to officers of equal rank in the line of this State. It is proved to the ſatisfaction of the committee that the ſaid John Keeſe and Charles Tillinghaſt were active, intelligent officers, and were eſſentially ſerviceable to the department in which they ſerved. The certificates of governor Clinton and colonel Hughes furniſh ample teſtimony of their merit and uſefulneſs. The committee beg leave to mention that the Legiſlature of this State by their act of July, 25, 1782, entitled "An act to prevent grants of the lands therein mentioned," did ſet apart certain lands therein deſcribed to the uſe of the troops of this State ſerving in the army of the United States," *and to ſuch other perſons as the Legiſlature ſhall hereafter deem it neceſſary to provide for by gratuities in lands on account of military ſervices in the army of the United States.*"

The committee further mention, that the exiſting laws have never been conſidered as making proviſion for theſe claims, and that it now reſts with the Legiſlature whether they will extend the law ſo as to give relief to theſe meritorious petitioners. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of James Waters and Nancy Waters, legatees of Talman Waters, deceaſed, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true. And that in the opinion of the committee leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill granting relief to the petitioners.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Thurman, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Thurman, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act altering the time of holding town meetings in the town of Thurman, in the county of Waſhington," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Becker, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Edwards, jun. and others, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true. And that in the opinion of the committee, leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for the relief of the petitioners. Leave being given, Mr. Becker brought in a

bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Charles Edwards, jun. and others," which was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Manly, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the supervisors of the county of Oneida, reported, That the facts stated in the petition are true. And that in the opinion of the committee leave should be given to bring in a bill granting the prayer of the petition. Leave being given, Mr. Manly brought in the said bill, entitled " An act to authorize the raising a sum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," which was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Evertson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Brooklyn, in King's county, reported, That the matters stated in the said petition are true. And that in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted; and that leave should be given to bring in a bill for such purpose. Leave being given, Mr. Evertson brought in the said bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act further to amend the act, entitled " An act for the partition of lands," which was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

The Surveyor-General, to whom was referred the petition of John Harper, reported, That the land, of which the petitioner prays for a grant, with the privilege of establishing a ferry across the Niagara river, is part of the tract lying along said river which the people of this State have reserved out of their cession to the commonwealth of Massachusetts, and is situated near the head of said river, where it empties out of lake Erie. He is informed that it is an eligible place for the establishment of a ferry, and in that light will command the attention of the Legislature in the disposal thereof.

All which is respectfully submitted,

SIMEON DE WITT, Surveyor-General.

Albany, 19th February, 1800.

Ordered, That the said report and petition be referred to Mr. Williamson, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Nicoll.

Then the House adjourned until ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 24th, 1800.

The bill, entitled " An act altering the time of holding town meetings in the town of Thurman, in the county of Washington;" the bill, entitled " An act to authorize the raising a sum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida;" the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Charles Edwards, junior, and others;" the bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act further to amend the act, entitled " An act for the partition of lands," and the bill, entitled " An act authorizing the supreme court to appoint sittings at the city-hall of the city of Albany, after January term, 1800," were severally read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

A petition of the president, directors and company of the Bank of New-York, praying that the Legislature will be pleased to allow a bill to be brought in, to repeal the clause in the act incorporating the stockholders of the bank of New-York which limits the duration of the charter; to repeal the clause limiting the amount of the property which the bank may hold, and to repeal the clause prohibiting the bank from dealing in any species of stock or merchandize, was read, and referred to Mr. Woolsey, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Henry, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Thomas.

A memorial of Christopher Miller, harbour master of the port of New-York, praying alterations in the act relative to the powers of the harbour master, was read, and referred to Mr. Strong, Mr. Evertson and Mr. Onthout.

A petition of Zebulon Douglass and others, praying a grant of a small tract of land to John G. Moyer, in the late Oneida reservation, was read, and referred to Mr. King, Mr. A. Gilbert and Mr. N. Smith.

A petition of Josiah Morse and others, inhabitants of the county of Columbia relative to the manner of choosing electors of a President and Vice-President, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole House when on similar petitions.

A petition of Jacob Rider, relative to a demand againſt the forfeited eſtate of Jab Gidney, and a petition of John Vail, relative to a demand againſt the forfeited ate of Jeremiah Traviſs, were ſeverally read, and referred to Mr. Teed, Mr. Bar- and Mr. Lamb.

Mr. Riggs, purſuant to notice heretofore given, made a motion that the Houſe ould agree to a reſolution with a recital, which was read and agreed to by the ouſe, and is in the words following, to wit.

Whereas the commiſſioners of the land-office, on the 5th of May, 1788, did re- ve that the 12th townſhip, ſituate in Waſhington county, in the tract of land lled Jeſſup's purchaſe, bounded as follows: beginning at the moſt eaſterly cor- of townſhip No. 13, and running thence along the eaſterly bounds of townſhip o. 11 to the ſoutherly bounds of the ſaid purchaſe and the northerly bounds of e townſhip of Hyde, then eaſterly along the ſaid ſoutherly bounds and the ſaid rtherly bounds of the townſhip of Hyde to the moſt ſoutherly corner of town- ip No. 24, thence along the weſterly bounds of the ſaid townſhip No. 24 to the oſt weſterly corner thereof, and thence weſterly on a line parallel to the moſt utherly line or bounds of the ſaid purchaſe to the place of beginning, contain- g 24,000 acres of land, and the uſual allowance for highways, ſhould be granted John Thurman, at the price of one ſhilling and two pence per acre.

And whereas letters patent did accordingly, on the ſame day, iſſue to the ſaid ohn Thurman for the ſaid tract of land..

Reſolved, That the Surveyor-General be requeſted to report to this Houſe the mber of acres contained in the ſaid townſhip No. 12, computing, according to e bounds above deſcribed with as much accuracy as can be done by him.

Mr. Tibbits, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions from the habitants of the villages of Lanſingburgh and Waterford, reported, That the cts ſtated in the ſaid petitions are true. That in the opinion of the committee, e petitioners are entitled to Legiſlative aid. And that he was directed to aſk leave to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sands and Mr. Sanger, ith the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, en- led "An act relative to the controverſy between this State and the State of Con- ecticut," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill as read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Sands and Mr. San- er, with the bill and amendment therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate ave paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act con- erning the court of probates," with the amendment therewith delivered. The ill and amendment were read; and the amendment having been read a ſecond me, was concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon deliver the bill to the Hon. the Se- ate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendment, and ave amended the bill accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by e Hon. the Senate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, at the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James Pine," ſhould become a w of this State.

The Attorney-General, purſuant to the order of the Houſe, reported a draft of bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Na- an Dean and others," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, which as read and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the thanks of the Legiſlature be given to the Rev. John B. John- n, for the diſcourſe which he delivered in honour of the memory of the late Ge- ral George Waſhington, on the 22d inſtant, at the requeſt of the two Houſes;

and that he be requeſted to furniſh the Preſident of the Senate, and the Speake the Aſſembly, with a copy of the ſame for publication.

Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon deliver a copy of the preceding re lution to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

Mr. Woolſey, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entit "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Waters," which was read the time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Burt, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Rob Armſtrong, reported, That the facts ſtated by the petitioner appear to be tr which renders his caſe ſingular and particularly hard, and ſuch as may with p priety receive legiſlative aid. The committee are therefore of opinion that le ſhould be given to bring in a bill, for remitting to him, out of the arrears of taxes remaining due from the county of Orange, the ſum of

Leave being given, Mr. Burt brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the lief of Robert Armſtrong," which was read the firſt time, and on the queſtion be put, whether the ſaid bill ſhould be ordered a ſecond reading, it paſſed in the gative.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Ga Gilbert, reported in favor of the petitioner, and obtained leave to bring in a b entitled "An act for granting further allowance to the commiſſioner of exciſe the city and county of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a cond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " act reſpecting judgments and recognizances of bail," reported, That the commit had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and livered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Hou

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Peck, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An authorizing the ſupreme court to appoint ſittings at the city-hall of the city of bany, after January term, 1800," reported, That the committee had gone throu the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to port to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill dered a third reading.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other pu poſes," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 24th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act authorizing the ſupreme court to appoint ſittings the city-hall of the city of Albany, after January term, 1800," was read the thi time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon deliver the bill to the Hon. the S nate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act reſpecting judgments and recognizances bail," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon deliver the bill to the Hon. the S nate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act relative to the controverſy between this State and t State of Connecticut;" the bill, entitled "An act for granting further allowan to the commiſſioner of exciſe in the city and county of New-York;" the bill, en tled "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Waters," and the bill, entitl "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean an

others," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Nicholas Gouverneur and others, inhabitants of the city of New-York, relative to eſtabliſhing a turnpike road between the cities of New-York and Albany, was read, and referred to the committee appointed to take into conſideration ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations.

A petition of the cordwainers in the city of New-York, relative to the injury they ſuſtain, by reaſon of that branch of buſineſs being carried on extenſively in the State-priſon, was read, and referred to the joint committee of both Houſes appointed to conſider and report on the report of the inſpectors of the State-priſon.

A petition of William Gray, of St. Regis, praying a confirmation of a tract of land given to him by the Indians of that village, was read, and referred to Mr. Savage, Mr. Sammons and Mr. Verbryck.

A petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, praying a law to enable them to raiſe monies by tax within the ſaid city, was read, and referred to the members from the city and county of Albany.

A petition of the judges and aſſiſtant-juſtices of the court of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer, praying an alteration as to the time of holding the ſaid courts, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Renſſelaer.

A petition of John W. Leonard, John Brazier and Samuel Watkins, late owners of the ſhip General Wayne, praying indemnification for loſſes, ſuſtained by reaſon of the ſaid ſhip's being compelled to perform double quarantine in the courſe of the laſt ſummer and fall, was read, and referred to Mr. Oothout, Mr. Nicoll and Mr. Stillwell.

A petition of Gabriel Furman, of the city of New-York, in behalf of himſelf and others, citizens of the ſaid city, reſpecting balances due them for ſervices performed, and ſupplies furniſhed, in fortifying the port and harbour of New-York, in 1798, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

Mr. Johnſon, purſuant to leave given by concurrent reſolutions of the Senate and Aſſembly, at the laſt ſeſſion, brought in a bill, entitled "An act to authorize John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus, to erect a bridge acroſs the mouth of the Wappingers creek, in the county of Dutcheſs," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Lighthall and Thomas Tredwell Jackſon," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The Houſe then proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, of the 19th inſt. relative to authorizing the commiſſioners of the land-office to agree and ſettle with the St. Regis Indians. The ſaid reſolution was again read. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Livingſton and Mr. Manly deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to augment the funds of the truſtees of Union college, in the town of Schenectady," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. Henry made a motion, that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill, which was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid truſtees, on or before the day of next, to make their election, by writing, under their common ſeal, of of the lots reſerved for promoting literature in this State, in and by the act, entitled "An act to appropriate the lands ſet a-

part to the uſe of the troops of the line of this State lately ſerving in the army of the United States, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſed 28th February, 1789," and to file ſuch election in the office of the Secretary of this State. And it ſhall be the duty of the commiſſioners of the land-office to direct letters patent to be prepared and granted to the ſaid truſtees, and their ſucceſſors, for the lots of land ſo to be elected.

That the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Roſebloom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Garniſey,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey, 63
Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous, 33
Mr. Colvin,			

That in proceeding to fill up the blank in the ſaid clauſe which relates to the number of lots to be elected, Mr. Henry made a motion that the word *ten* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Maſters made a motion that the word *eight* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Everſon made a motion that the word *twelve* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Sargent made a motion that the word *five* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That Mr. Bull made a motion that the word *three* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. Everſon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the queſtion being put on the motion of Mr. Henry, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Bull, ſeconded by Mr. Denton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Becker,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Bogert,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Comb,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Conine,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Deitz,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Doty,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Emott,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wattles,
Everſon,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
E. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamſon,
Hall,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Winne,
Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Johnſon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 48

For the Negative.

Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Skidmore,
Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. A. Smith,
Blake,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. J. Smith,
Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Snell,
Bull,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Thomas,
Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Towner,
Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Cantine,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Veeder,
Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Verbryck,
Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,
Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous, 47
Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	

Mr. Oothout further reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, ade amendments, added a clauſe and proviſo, and agreed to the ſame; which he s directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and de-ered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the ouſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the amendment of this Houſe to e bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain erſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798," and to extend e time for the ſettlement of land," which amendment was not concurred in by e Hon. the Senate. The bill and amendment was read and conſidered, and the endment having been read and reconſidered. Thereupon

Reſolved, That this Houſe do recede from their amendment to the ſaid bill, which as not concurred in by the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That Mr. Manley and Mr. Marvin deliver the bill, amendment and a py of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Bull, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An relative to the controverſy between this State and the State of Connecticut," re-ned progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 26th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to augment the funds of the truſtees of nion college, in the town of Schenectady," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Manley and Mr. Marvin deliver the bill to the Hon. the Se-ate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus erect a bridge acroſs the mouth of Wappingers creek, in Dutcheſs county," was ad the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further nſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a lect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Williamſon, Mr. De Witt, r. Livingſton and Mr. Bill.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, praying that a may be paſſed authoriſing John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus to ere bridge acroſs the Wappingers creek, and a remonſtrance of ſundry other inh tants of the ſaid county againſt paſſing ſuch law, were ſeverally read, and com ted to the ſelect committee laſt mentioned.

The Houſe proceeded to take into conſideration the petition of the inhabit of the town of Canaan, in the county of Columbia; the ſaid petition having b again read. Thereupon

Ordered, That the ſaid petition be committed to a committee of the whole Ho

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sanger Mr. Savage, was read, That the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſ tion of the 25th inſtant, that the thanks of the Legiſlature be preſented to Rev. John B. Johnſon, for the diſcourſe delivered by him, on the 22d inſtan the requeſt of the two houſes, in honor of the memory of the late Gen. Geo Waſhington, and requeſting a copy thereof for publication.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. San and Mr. Savage, was read, and is in the words following, to wit.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the conſiſtories of Reformed Low Dutch churches of Newtown, Succeſs and Oyſterbay, in Que county, have leave to preſent to the Senate or Aſſembly, at the next ſeſſion of Legiſlature, a bill, authorizing the ſaid conſiſtories, and the conſiſtory of the formed Low Dutch church, in Jamaica, in the ſaid county, to ſell and convey houſe and lot of land belonging to the ſaid conſiſtories, and to divide the proce equally between them. Provided they cauſe a copy of this reſolution and the petition to be previouſly publiſhed in the newſpaper printed at Brooklyn, in Kin county, for ſix weeks ſucceſſively, to the end, that any perſon intereſted ther may ſhew cauſe, if any he has, againſt the paſſing of ſuch bill.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid p ceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Manley and Mr. Maſters deliver a copy of the preceding ſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Three ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. San and Mr. Savage, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to enable the Chancellor for the ti being, to ſue and be ſued in Chancery;" the bill, entitled "An act repealing p of the fourth ſection of the act, entitled "An act to reduce the laws concern coſts into one ſtatute," and the bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of f mon in certain rivers running into lake Ontario," and requeſting the concurre of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Sa age, with the bill therein mentioned was read, that the Senate have paſſed the b entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act for keeping in repair certa private roads in Orangetown, in the county of Orange, paſſed the 10th Februa 1787," without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Savage the bill entitl "An act to amend the act entitled "An act concerning the court of probates."

Ordered, That Mr. Maſters and Mr. M'Cord deliver the two laſt mentioned bi to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Sa age, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned was read, that the Senate ha paſſed the bill entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit court and tings in the city and county of New-York," with the amendments therewith del ered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments being read a cond time: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate, in the firſt a laſt amendment to the bill, and do not concur in the other amendment.

Mr. Wood gave notice, that he ſhould, to-morrow, move for a reconſideration of ſo much of the laſt preceding reſolution, as relates to the non-concurrence of this Houſe in the ſaid amendment of the Hon. the Senate: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill, amendments and reſolution be retained in this Houſe until to-morrow.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council that the bill entitled "An act directing the execution of Benjamin Holmes, convicted of murder," ſhould become a law of this State.

A petition of John Tryon, John W. Schermerhorn and James M'Kown, praying amendments to the law eſtabliſhing a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſpring in Lebanon, to the city of Albany, was read and referred to Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Warrin, Mr. Everſon and Mr. Watrous.

Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Tioga, relative to the moſt ſuitable place for holding the courts in ſaid county, was read and referred to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Williams and Mr. Garnſey.

A petition of Hugh W. Dobbin, of the town of Junius, in the county of Cayuga, praying a confirmation of his title to part of a lot of land in ſaid town, originally granted by letters patent to Jeſſe Wood, a private in Lamb's artillery, was read and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the report of the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga.

A petition of Moſes King and others, inhabitants of New-Lebanon, in the county of Columbia, relative to the oppoſition to the judical authority of this State in ſaid county, together with ſundry affidavits, were read and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the petition of Joſiah Patterſon, junior and Aſel King, junior.

The Surveyor-General purſuant to concurrent reſolutions of the Senate and Aſſembly of the 20th February, 1798, reported, That agreeable to the directions given by ſaid reſolutions, he has cauſed a ſurvey to be made, the return of which together with a map deſcriptive thereof, is herewith preſented. From theſe, it will appear that an error has been committed in the original ſurvey of the weſtern tier of the lots laid out by the commiſſioners appointed for that purpoſe, for the white inhabitants of Brothertown. The marks originally made for the corners of the ſeveral lots that have been examined, all correſpond nearly with the diſtances given in the field-book, filed by ſaid commiſſioners in the Secretary's office, except thoſe of the moſt ſoutherly, or lot No. 164, which ſeems to have been conſidered as the reſiduary lot of that tier. Inſtead of being fifty chains in length north and ſouth, as given by the field-book, this lot is found to be only thirty-three chains and thirty-three links, making a deficiency of ſixty-ſix acres and ſeven tenths, nearly. If the Legiſlature are diſpoſed to make an allowance for this deficiency, it will be proper to conſider, that ſince (as is alledged) ſuits have been commenced reſpecting the boundaries of ſome lots in conſequence of this error, in the originial ſurvey; and no information having been received what adjudications (if any) have been given; and it being uncertain what may be the deciſions of courts reſpecting the true conſtruction of the conveyance given in behalf of the State, it is at preſent uncertain to whom relief ought to be granted. This circumſtance, however, will not make it impracticable to direct a remiſſion of ſo much of the debt due from the purchaſer of the lot on which the deficiency ſhall be legally decided to fall as will be in proprotion to ſuch deficiency, if that mode of doing juſtice in this inſtance ſhould be deemed the moſt eligible.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SIMEON DE WITT, *Surveyor-General.*

Ordered, That the ſaid report be referred to Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Garnſey and Mr. Deitz.

Mr. Wood, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of David

Hoſack, reported, That in their opinion the prayer of the memorialiſt ought to be granted. That they have prepared a clauſe to be annexed to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe, and directed their chairman to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid report be poſtponed.

Mr. Wood, from the committee appointed to prepare a bill, agreeably to the ſtate of facts reported by the committee on the petition of Nehemiah Mead and others, and of John Thurman, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Arthur and others, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs, and cutting the timber on certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned," paſſed 24th April, 1784, and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Bull, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act relative to the controverſy between this State and the State of Connecticut," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made an amendment, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendment be engroſſed.

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Lighthall and Thomas Tredwell Jackſon," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe,

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Friday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, of the 19th inſt. and the report of the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, which accompanied the ſaid meſſage.

Mr. Comſtock, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Waters," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That Mr. Emott have leave of abſence for three days.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 27th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act for the relief of William Lighthall and Thomas Tredwell Jackſon," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Cord, and Mr. M'Intyre deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act relative to the controverſy between this State and the ſtate of Connecticut," with the engroſſed amendment, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Cord and Mr. M'Intyre deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill with the amendment therewith delivered.

The bill entitled "An act to enable the chancellor for the time being, to ſue and be ſued in chancery," the bill entitled "An act repealing part of the fourth ſection of the act entitled "An act to reduce the laws concerning coſts into one ſtatute," the bill entitled "An act for the preſervation of Salmon in certain rivers running into Lake Ontario," the bill entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman," and the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs and cutting the timber in certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned, paſſed the 24th April, 1784, and for other purpoſes," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

petition of Iſaac Naſh, ſupervisor of the town of Pittsfield, in the county of ego, in behalf of the inhabitants of ſaid town, praying that a law may be paſſed horizing the recording of deeds in each town in this State, was read and referred Mr. Sargent, Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. Teed.

petition of Joſeph Beebe and others, praying the aid of the Legiſlature in re- ring the obſtructions to the navigation in the weſt branch of the Chenango river, read and referred to the members from the counties of Chenango and Onondaga.

petition of John Grainger, praying a grant of bounty lands for military ſervi- was read referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Hall.

petition of John Congdele and others, praying a grant of vacant lands, was read referred to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Teed, Mr. Gilliland and Mr. Savage.

petition of Elijah Buck and others, and a petition of Mathew Carpenter and ers, inhabitants of the county of Tioga, praying that no alteration may be made the places for holding the courts in the ſaid county, were ſeverally read and rred to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Williamſon and Mr. mſey.

Mr. Oothout from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled n act to enable the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the city of New-York, to er the raiſing monies by tax for the maintenance of the poor, and for defraying other contingent expences ariſing in the city and county of New-York, and for er purpoſes, reported that the committee had gone through the bill, made a- ndments, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Savage from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William ay, reported that the facts are, as ſtated in the ſaid petition, that in the opinion of committee the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted. That they have pared a bill for ſuch purpoſe, and have directed their chairman to aſk leave bring in the ſame; leave being given, Mr. Savage brought in the ſaid bill enti- d "An act to authorize a grant of land to William Gray," which was read the t time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Clark, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Stewart dner and others, reported, That in the opinion of the committee the ayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. That the committee ve prepared a bill for ſuch purpoſe, and directed him to move for leave to bring the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Clark brought in the ſaid bill, entitled An act to divide the town of Blenheim in the county of Schoharie," which was d the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Schenck and Mr. Silveſ- , with the bill and amendment therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate ve concurred in the amendment of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act rela- ve to the controverſy between this State and the State of Connecticut," and t the ſame is amended accordingly. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. M'Kinſtry return the bill to the Hon. the nate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Schenck and Mr. veſter, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have amended e bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain rſons from paying arrears of quit-rent," paſſed April 5, 1798, and to extend the e for the ſettlement of land," purſuant to the amendments of this Houſe con- rred in by the Hon. the Senate. The examined bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. M'Kinſtry return the bill to the Hon. the nate.

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of e whole Houſe on the petition of Joſiah Patterſon, jun. and Aſel King, jun. and

after ſome time ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Swart from the ſaid committee reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Bill, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ma aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, reported, That the auth ty delegated to them by charter is, in the opinion of the committee, inadequat enable them to remedy the evils complained of by the inhabitants; and that an extenſion of authority as may enable the ſaid corporation to paſs bye laws the regulation of the property mentioned in their petition, and alſo the repea certain laws paſſed for the preſervation of wood and timber on the common la appears to be neceſſary. And that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill the ſeveral purpoſes mentioned in the ſaid petition.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Bill, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of the inh tants of the third and fourth wards of the city of Schenectady, reported, That facts ſtated in the ſaid petitions are true. That from the geographical ſituat of the third and fourth wards of ſaid city, the inhabitants labour under very g inconveniences. That the fourth ward comprehends an extenſive tract of coun on the north ſide of the Mohawk river, which is interſected by roads in alm every direction. That the inhabitants are chiefly farmers, and live diſperſed their reſpective plantations, which renders it impracticable to work the roads eff tually under the preſent regulations. That the third ward is in nearly ſimi circumſtances. The committee therefore think that ſome relief ought to be gra ed. But how far any new regulations might interfere with the corporate righ guaranteed by charter, the committee do not conceive themſelves competent decide; but beg leave to try the ſenſe of the Houſe, by the following reſolution

Reſolved, That leave be given to bring in a bill, directing the commiſſioners highways for the city of Schenectady to cauſe the roads in the ſaid city to be wo ed and apportioned in the ſame manner as if the ſaid city had not been divid into wards.

The ſaid reſolution having been read, was agreed to by the Houſe.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Jo W. Leonard, John Brazier and Samuel Watkins, reported, That the proviſions the quarantine law, paſſed the 25th February, 1799, makes it the duty of the ow ers to remove veſſels, under ſimilar circumſtances of the ſhip General Wayne, their own expence and riſque.

That from a certificate of the commiſſioners of the health-office, dated the 1 of February inſtant, it does not appear that the owners of the ſhip had made a exertions to cleanſe and purify her in the manner directed by the reſident phy cian. That her detention was therefore a conſequence of neglect in the own themſelves.

And further that this unfortunate, event occurred at a time of general calami when moſt of the inhabitants in the ſouthern part of the city, where the ſhip l were compelled to abandon their homes and buſineſs at great expence.

From all thoſe conſiderations the committee do not think the prayer of t petitioners ought to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Tibbits, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled " act making further proviſion for improving the navigation between the villages Lanſingburgh and Troy," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond rea ing.

Mr. Wood, purſuant to notice by him given yeſterday, made a motion, th the Houſe ſhould reconſider their reſolution of non-concurrence in the amendm of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip the circuit court and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," Mr. Speak put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. Wood then made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould concur with the Ho the Senate in their amendment to the ſaid bill. And the queſtion being put the on, it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Kinſtry and Mr. M'Kown deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendment to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

Mr. Henry, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, reported, That in the opinion of the committee, the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. And that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Henry brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act authorizing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps, and for the ſupport of a night watch in the ſaid city," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Rockwell, from the committee to whom was referred the report of the Attorney-General on the petition of Elias Quereau, reported, That the facts ſet forth in the ſaid report are true. That in the opinion of the committee relief ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Rockwell brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſhua Quereau and Elias Quereau," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Williamſon, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Harper, reported, That from every information they can obtain on the ſubject, they are of opinion that a well regulated ferry, eſtabliſhed at the Black rock, near the head of Niagara river, is much wanted, and would certainly afford much convenience to the inhabitants of this State, whoſe buſineſs may lead tthem to Upper Canada. And are therefore of opinion that the propoſal of Mr. Harper is worthy of attention.

That the committee are however informed, that the title to the lands in queſtion, which Mr. Harper ſuppoſes to be ſtill in the Indians, was extinguiſhed by the Britiſh government before the year 1776. So that the compleat title is ſuppoſed to be veſted in the people of this State, and the price to be paid by the petitioner, Mr. Harper, ought to be reſpectable in proportion.

The committee are therefore of opinion, that the Surveyor-General ſhould be empowered by the Legiſlature to treat with Mr. Harper, for the ſale of the ferry, and a tract of land adjoining, not exceeding one thouſand acres, veſting in the ſaid Mr. Harper, the right of ferrying for ever, under the neceſſary ſtipulations and reſtrictions to enſure the accommodation of the public. And that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Gilbert from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Henry from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of the repreſentatives of Joſeph Crane, deceaſed, reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, altered the title to "An act for the relief of Sarah Scudder," and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Tueſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill entitled "An act providing for the ſalaries of the chancellor and juſtices of the ſupreme court."

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. February 28th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Sarah Scudder," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Alexander Comrie," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled, "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled, "An act to enable the mayor, recorder, and aldermen of the city of New-York, to order the raiſing monies by tax, for the maintenance of the poor, and for defraying the other contingent expences ariſing in the city and county of New-York, and for other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Kown, and Mr. Meyer deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Joſhua Quereau and Elias Quereau," the bill entitled "An act to divide the town of Blenheim, in the county of Schoharie," the bill entitled, "An act to authoriſe a grant of land to William Gray," the bill entitled, "An act authoriſing the mayor, aldermen, and commonalty of the city of Albany, to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps, and for the ſupport of a night watch in the ſaid city," and the bill entitled, "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation between the villages of Lanſingburgh and Troy," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Silveſter and Mr. Spencer, with the bill therein mentioned was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled, "An act to revive the act entitled, "An act for preſcribing the times, places, and manner of holding elections for Senators to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States of America," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe.

The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A memorial of Ebenezer Stevens relative to a balance due to William Neilſon, by the commiſſioners appointed for erecting fortifications in the city of New-York, was read and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A communication from Ebenezer Stevens to the Hon. the Speaker, was read and is in the words following, viz.

Albany, Feb. 28, 1800.

DEAR SIR,

I have to requeſt you to lay before the Hon. Houſe of Aſſembly the incloſed account of John M'Lean, with the neceſſary vouchers, for ſervices rendered, and expences incurred, in collecting together, and tranſporting artillery and ſtores into the new arſenal in the city of New-York.

I take the liberty to mention, that the exiſting laws do not authoriſe the Comptroller to direct the payment of this account.

I have the honor to be, with great reſpect,
Dear Sir, your moſt obedient ſervant,
EBENEZER STEVENS.

The Hon. the Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly.

Ordered, That the ſaid communication together with the papers therein mention-
d, be referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Francis Nicoll, John Glen, and Gerrit Witbeeck, ſuperintendants f highways for the county of Albany, praying a loan of money to enable them to epay the amount borrowed by them to compleat the bridge acroſs the Nor-an's-creek, near the city of Albany, was read, and referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Schermerhorn and Mr. Van Renſſelaer.

A memorial of Charles Duryee, of the city of New-York, praying that a law may e paſſed authoriſing the appointment of weighers in ſaid city, was read, and eferred to Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Oothout and Mr. Everſon.

A petition of Benajah Smith and others, inhabitants of the town of Saliſbury, in he county of Montgomery, praying a grant of two hundred acres of land for the upport of the goſpel in ſaid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Humfrey, Mr. kidmore and Mr. Veeder.

A petition of Stephen Minturn and others, debtors, confined in the gaol of the ounty of Columbia, praying amendments to the laws for the relief of debtors, ith reſpect to the impriſonment of their perſons, was read, and referred to Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Sherwood and Mr. Watrous.

A petition of Warren Ferriſs and others, inhabitants of Queenſbury, in the coun-y of Waſhington, relative to eſtabliſhing a toll-bridge acroſs the Hudſon-river, in aid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Pettit, Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Teed.

Three ſeveral petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, relative to a urnpike road between Albany and Utica, was read, and referred to the committee ppointed to take into conſideration ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, as relates to the manner of introducing bills for private incorporations.

A petition of Joſeph Fiſh, of Pittſtown, in the county of Renſſelaer, relative to he title to a lot of land in the ſaid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Gray, Mr. argent and Mr. Fort.

A petition of the miniſter, elders and deacons of the Reformed congregation of he town to Minden, in the county of Montgomery, relative to the church in the aid town, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Montgomery.

Mr. Blake, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions of the inhabi-ants of Newburgh, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to ring in a bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inha-itants of the village of Newburgh," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a econd reading.

Reſolved, That the committee, to whom was referred, on the 31ſt of January, the etition of the ſuperviſors of Ulſter county, be inſtructed to examine whether any, nd if any, what alterations are neceſſary in the act to regulate highways, paſſed March 21, 1797, and the act amending the ſame, paſſed March 16, 1798, and re-ort by bill or otherwiſe, and that Mr. Williamſon and Mr. Wood be added to the aid committee.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the petition of Joſiah Patterſon. jun. and Aſel King, jun. reported, That Mr. Garnſey made a motion, hat the committee ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That the following concurrent reſolution with recitals be adopted, viz.

Whereas a proſecution, in the name of the People of this State, hath lately been inſtituted to have an inquiſition relative to the non-ſettlement of certain lands, granted by letters patent to Cornelius Van Schaack and others, in the town of Ca-aan, in the county of Columbia, which proſecution has been ſanctioned by the At-orney-General, who is not diſpoſed further to proſecute the ſame without the con-ent of the Legiſlature. And whereas Joſiah Patterſon, jun. and Aſel King, jun. n behalf of themſelves and others, reſiding in ſaid town of Canaan, have prayed hat conſent may be granted. Therefore,

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the ſaid Attorney-General

may, and is hereby directed to proceed in the premiſes, and proſecute the ſame t
effect, but at the coſts and expence of the ſaid petitioners.

That debates were had on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been pu
thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Va
Benthuyſen, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey,

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in hi
place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agree
to by the Houſe. The ſaid reſolution and recital is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That the following concurrent reſolutio
with recitals be adopted, viz.

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jun. in behalf of themſelves and others, reſiding in ſaid town of Canaan, hav
prayed that conſent may be granted. Therefore,

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the ſaid Attorney-Gener
may, and is hereby directed to proceed in the premiſes, and proſecute the ſame
effect, but at the coſts and expence of the ſaid petitioners.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Kown and Mr. Meyer deliver a copy of the preceding r
ſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the furth
conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act
reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs and cutting the timber on certain beach
and iſlands therein mentioned," paſſed 24th April, 1784, and for other purpoſes
and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Suffolk.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Thurſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committ
of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act making further proviſion for im
proving the navigation between the villages of Lanſingburgh and Troy."

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee
the whole Houſe on the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, of the 17th in
accompanied with the report of the Onondaga commiſſioners, and after ſome ti

ſpent thereon, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Doty, from the ſaid committee, reported, that the committee had agreed to a reſolution with a recital, in the words following, viz.

Whereas no right, paſſed by virtue of the patents iſſued, to the perſons mentioned in the report of the commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, or to other perſons who hold lots in the military tract under patents iſſued to perſons who died before the twenty-ſeventh day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-three;

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) that a joint committee of both Houſes be appointed to take the ſubject into conſideration, and to report what meaſures ought to be adopted reſpecting the ſaid lands, and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that

be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe. The ſaid reſolution and recital is in the words following, viz.

Whereas no right, paſſed by virtue of the patents iſſued, to the perſons mentioned in the report of the commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes concerning the titles to lands in the county of Onondaga, or to other perſons who hold lots in the military tract under patents iſſued to perſons who died before the twenty-ſeventh day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-three.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) that a joint committee of both Houſes be appointed to take the ſubject into conſideration, and to report what meaſures ought to be adopted reſpecting the ſaid lands, and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Henry, Mr. Wood, Mr. Eaſton, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. M'Cord be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Kown and Mr. Meyer deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps, and for the ſupport of a night-watch, in the ſaid city," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the city and county of Albany.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 1ſt, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act for preſcribing the times, places and manner of holding elections for Senators to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States of America," and the bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Strong and Mr. Suffern, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to increaſe the funds of the truſtees of Union College, in the town of Schenectady," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Meyer and Mr. Mills deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A petition of William Seeber and Silvanus Seeber, and a petition of John Schuyler, Michael Day and John Wollaun, relative to land occupied by them by conſent of the Oneida Indians, were ſeverally read, and referred to Mr. King, Mr. Taber and Mr. Herkimer.

A petition of David Wandle, praying a grant of bounty lands, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of James Galloway and others, of the town of Palmyra, in the county of Ontario, relative to a mill-ſeat in ſaid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Norton and Mr. Halſey.

A petition of the chamber of commerce, of the city of New-York, praying alterations in the law regulating quarantine in the ſaid city, was read, and referred to

the committee appointed to take into conſideration ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor relative to the introduction and ſpreading of infectious diſeaſes in this State.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee to whom were referred the ſeveral petitions

Of John Frazier,
Of Samuel Hotchkiſs and eight others,
Of Richard Mount and three others,
Of Ezekiel Lockwood and fifty-eight others,
Of John Upham,
Of Levi Farr and eight others,
Of John Congdele and ſixteen others, reported,

That theſe petitioners ſeverally pray for grants of certain lands, on which improvements have been made by them, ſtating that the lands belong to the State. That from the information the committee have received from the Surveyor-General it appears to be true that the title of thoſe lands is veſted in the people of this State. The petitioners have offered no proof as to the extent of the improvements mentioned; nor has it been thought material by the committee, on a ſuppoſition that the Legiſlature, in the event of a ſale of the Lands, would conſider thoſe improvements as belonging to the occupants. In this view of the ſubject no advantage can probably ariſe to the State from letting thoſe lands remain any longer in the preſent ſituation. The committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the ſeveral petitioners ought to be granted. And that leave ought to be given to bring in a general bill, giving relief in all ſuch caſes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

Mr. Meyer according to leave brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read a ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Miller and others, reported, That the petitioners pray for a grant of vacant land belonging to this State, containing about five hundred acres, ſituate in the county of Schoharie, for which they offer to pay the full value in money. That on examination it appears that the ſaid tract of land is the ſame for a grant of which John Frazier has petitioned the Legiſlature. That the ſaid John Frazier has purchaſed, or made improvements on the land, and is now in actual poſſeſſion thereof. The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the ſaid Daniel Miller and others ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Moſes Watkins and one hundred and fifty-five other perſons, reported, That the petitioners pray for a grant of a tract of land of about ten miles ſquare, ſituate ten or twelve miles weſtward of the inhabited part of the town of Jay, in the county of Eſſex; which tract they will become obligated to ſettle within ſix years, at the rate of one family on every mile ſquare. The petitioners will alſo engage to make a road acroſs the intervening mountain between the ſaid inhabited part of the town of Jay and the land petitioned for. It appears that there is, in that part of the State, a large tract of vacant land belonging to the people of this State. That ſuch a ſettlement (if made) as the petitioners propoſe, would probably enhance the value of the lands in that quarter, and accelerate the ſettlement generally. The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. And that leave ought to be given to add a clauſe for that purpoſe to the bill making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly, and that the ſaid committee do prepare and bring in ſuch clauſe.

Mr. Meyer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Stafford and four other perſons, reported, That the petitioners ſtate, that they have, at a conſiderable expence, ſurveyed and laid out a certain tract of land, of a-

bout one thouſand acres, in the county of Eſſex, the property of the people of his State; which land the petitioners pray may be granted to them on reaſonable terms, and for which they offer to pay the money in a reaſonable time. The committee can ſee no reaſon why theſe lands ſhould not be ſold to the applicants, on condition of ſettlement within a limited time. And therefore are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted; and that a clauſe ſhould be added to the bill, making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State, for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly, and that the ſaid committee do prepare and bring in ſuch clauſe.

Mr. Bill, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, to raiſe a ſum, by tax, for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps, and for the ſupport of a night-watch, in the ſaid city," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame. Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs, and cutting the timber on certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned, and for other purpoſes," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment. Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Riggs moved for, and obtained the unanimous conſent of the Houſe, to bring in a bill, entitled "An act concerning the recovery of certain debts and demands in the city of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Strong, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Chriſtopher Miller, harbour-maſter of the port of New-York, reported, That in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted. And that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Strong brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend an act, entitled "An act more effectually to regulate the port of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

The Surveyor-General, purſuant to a reſolution of this Houſe, of the 24th February, 1800, reported, That as the commiſſioners of the land-office did not, as is the regular practice, obtain from the Surveyor-General the deſcription or bounds of townſhip No. 12, of Totten and Croſsfield's purchaſe, previous to the iſſuing of letters patent for the ſame, he cannot tell what the true import of the deſcription and bounty given in the patent was intended to be. If they were intended to comprehend only the townſhip always known and deſignated in the original field-books, as townſhip No. 12, the number of acres are correctly ſtated in the patent, to-wit, 25,200. But if it is to extend to and along the northerly bounds of the townſhip of Hyde, as is expreſſed in the grant, it will include the additional quantity of ten thouſand five hundred and ſixty acres, of which about ſeven hundred acres are covered by a patent granted to Francis Panton, on the 18th October, 1775. The map herewith preſented will more clearly explain the ſubject.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SIMEON DE WITT, Surveyor-General.

Albany, February 28th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be referred to Mr. Winne, Mr. Meyer and Mr. Stevens.

Mr. Henry, according to notice heretofore given, moved for, and obtained lea to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divi the county of Onondaga," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſeco reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Suffern and Mr. T Eyck, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the S nate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to revive and amend the act, entitl "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton," with the amen ments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amen ments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and t bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Mills and Mr. Montfort deliver the bill to the Hon. t Senate, and informthem that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments, a have amended the bill accordingly.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Suffern and Mr. Ten Eyck the bill en tled "An act reſpecting the clerkſhip of the circuit court and ſittings in the ci and county of New-York."

Ordered, That Mr. Meyer and Mr. Mills deliver the bill to the Hon. the Cou cil of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. t Chief Juſtice, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council, that t bill entitled "An act to continue in force, and to amend the act entitled "An a for appointing a Comptroller in this State," the bill entitled "An act to amend t act entitled "An act concerning the court of probates," and the bill entitled "A act to amend an act entitled "An act for keeping in repair certain private roads Orangetown, in the county of Orange, paſſed the 10th February, 1797," ſhou reſpectively become laws of this State.

Mr. Bogert from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An a to amend the act entitled "An act for the partition of lands," reported progreſs a obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. M'Intyre from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "A act to amend an act entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs and the ſervice and retu of proceſs," and the act entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th Fe uary, 1798," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompſon the b entitled "An act to revive and amend the act entitled "An act for the relief the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton."

Ordered, That Mr. Meyer and Mr. Mills deliver the bill to the Hon. the Cou cil of Reviſion.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of the whole houſe, on the bill entitled "A act to alter the time for the election of charter officers in the city of New-York; lengthen the terms of the courts of common pleas; to give additional power to t ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the peace in the city and county of New-York; reduce ſeveral laws relating particularly to the ſaid city and county into one a and for other purpoſes," reported that the committee had gone through the bi expunged part of the preamble, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. E. Gilbert from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitl "An act to alter the time for holding town meetings in the town of Thurman, the county of Waſhington," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. E. Gilbert from the committee appointed to take into conſideration ſo mu of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the act for the recov of debts to the value of ten pounds, reported, that the committee had prepare bill, which he was directed to move for leave to bring in; leave being given, M E. Gilbert brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act appointing juſtices for the t of ſmall cauſes," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Henry moved for, and obtained the unanimous conſent of the Houſe, to bring in a bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to prevent frauds by mortgages and for ſecuring the purchaſers of mortgaged eſtates," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Wedneſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act complying with the act of Congreſs, reſpecting balances reported againſt certain ſtates, by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral ſtates."

Mr. Humfrey from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act altering the time for electing the Repreſentatives of this State, in the Houſe of Repreſentatives of the Congreſs of the United States of America," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 3d, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act authorizing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps and for the ſupport of a night watch in the ſaid city," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That that the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs, and cutting the timber on certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned, paſſed the 24th April, 1784, and for other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to alter the time for the election of charter officers in the city of New-York; to lengthen the terms of the court of common pleas; to give additional power to the ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the peace in the city and county of New-York; to reduce ſeveral laws relating particularly to the ſaid city and county into one act, and for other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Mott and Mr. Norton deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill entitled "An act appointing juſtices for the trial of ſmall cauſes," the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga," the bill entitled "An act to explain and amend an act entitled "An act more effectually to regulate the port of New-York," and the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to prevent frauds by mortgages, and for ſecuring the purchaſers of mortgaged eſtates," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill therein mentioned was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp or bog meadow, known by the name of the little Binne Water, in the towns of Wallkill and Miniſinck, in the county of Orange," without amendment.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill therein mentioned was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to revive the laws for the ſupport of the public hoſpital in the city of New-York," to which they requeſt the concurrence of the Houſe.

The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Snate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, that the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing the ſupreme court to appoint ſittings at the city-hall of the city of Albany, after January term, 1800;" the bill, entitled "An act relative to the controverſy between this State and the State of Connecticut," and the bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act to exonerate certain perſons from paying arrears of quit-rent, paſſed April 5th, 1798," and to extend the time for the ſettlement of land," ſhould reſpectively become laws of this State.

Seventeen petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, relative to the moſt ſuitable place for erecting the court-houſe and gaol in ſaid county, was read and referred to Mr. Savage, Mr. Gray and Mr. Poſt.

Six petitions from inhabitants of the county of Onondaga, relative to the diſpoſition of the lots of land heretofore reſerved for promoting the goſpel and ſupporting ſchools in ſaid county, was read, and referred to Mr. Butler, Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Skidmore, Mr. Thurman and Mr. Manley.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, relative to the manner of chooſing electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Two petitions from the towns of Greenfield and Northumberland, in the county of Saratoga, praying a diviſion thereof, were read, and referred to the members from Saratoga county.

A petition of the judges and aſſiſtant-juſtices of the court of common pleas in the county of Onondaga, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga."

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Delaware, relative to remiſſion of, and commutation for quit-rents, were read, and referred to Mr. Marvin, Mr. N. Smith and Mr. Steenback.

Two petitions from perſons reſiding on lands within the bounds of the Hoſack patent, praying a confirmation of the partition of ſaid patent, made in the year 1754, were read, and referred to the Attorney-General.

A petition of Cornelius Higgins, of the town of Pompey, praying compenſation for building a block-houſe at the Onondaga ſalt ſprings; a petition of Rynier and Matthias Nack, relative to money improperly aſſeſſed on them in the year 1784, for what was commonly called the partial tax, and a petition of Baltus Smith, praying compenſation for military ſervices, were ſeverally read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Orange, relative to erecting a bridge acroſs Wappinger's creek, in the county of Dutcheſs, was read, and referred to Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Williamſon, Mr. DeWitt, Mr. Livingſton and Mr. Bill.

A petition of Adam Plank and others, of Kingſborough, in the county of Montgomery, praying a law ſecuring them in the quiet poſſeſſion of a certain glebe lot of fifty acres of land given them by the late ſir William Johnſon, and occupied by the petitioners and their anceſtors near forty years, was read, and referred to Mr. Sammons, Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Warrin.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Vail and Mr. Van Schoonhoven, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the city of New-York to order the raiſing monies by tax for the maintenance of the poor, and for defraying the other contingent expences ariſing in the city and county of New-York, and for other purpoſes," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Meyer and Mr. Mills deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Sargent, from the committee appointed for the purpoſe, brought in a bill, entitled "An act providing for the regiſtering of deeds in the ſeveral towns in this State," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Tinkham, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Union, reported, That the great extent of the town of Union, in the county of Tioga, makes it extremely difficult for many of the inhabitants to attend town-meetings and other town buſineſs. The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. That they have prepared a bill for ſuch purpoſe, and have directed him to move for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Tinkham brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Union, in the county of Tioga, into three towns," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Tibbits, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the judges and aſſiſtant-juſtices of the court of common pleas for the county of Renſſelaer, reported, That the petition relates to extending the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace for that county. That in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petition ought to be granted; and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Tibbits brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Tibbits from the committee, to whom was referred the report of the Attorney-General, on the petition of William Horton and William Horton, junior, reported that the facts ſtated are true, that the petitioners are entitled to relief, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe; leave being given, Mr. Tibbits brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of David Hickok, reported, that the committee have no evidence of the correctneſs of the facts ſet forth in the petition, but admitting them to be true, it does not appear to the committee that relief ought to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims on the petition of Catharine Walſh, reported, That, in addition to the facts mentioned in the petition, it appears by the returns of the 5th regiment, that Edward Walſh was transferred to the invalids on the 10th Auguſt, 1781, and is not entitled to the gratuity or bounty of lands. It is therefore the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Peter Mills, reported, That all the facts which have come before them are ſet forth in the ſaid petition. It is the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, expunged the preamble, and agreed to the ſame. Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman." reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Friday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 4th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Norton and Mr. Noyes deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to revive the laws for the ſupport of the public hoſpital in the city of New-York;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and William Horton, jun." the bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of

Renſſelaer ;" the bill, entitled " An act to divide the town of Union, in the county of Tioga, into three towns," and the bill, entitled " An act providing for the regiſtering of deeds in the ſeveral towns in this State," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Samuel Aldwell Smith, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State, was read, and referred to Mr. Sharp, Mr. A. Smith and Mr. Snell.

Sundry remonſtrances againſt paſſing a law erecting a new county from parts of Albany and Ulſter, were read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled " An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county."

A petition of Thomas Rice, a citizen of New-Haven, relative to a demand againſt the forfeited eſtate of George Muirſon, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Davis Hunt, of the city of Albany, relative to a claim for a proportion of the ſchool-money allowed by law, was read, and referred to Mr. Livingſton, Mr. Field and Mr. Henry.

A petition of Joſeph Harris and others, inhabitants of the county of Chenango, relative to a mill-ſeat, was read, and referred to Mr. King, Mr. Tinkham and Mr. Garnſey.

A petition of Samuel Pattingal, was read, and referred to Mr. M'Intyre, Mr. Pratt and Mr. King.

A petition of Gozen Ryerſs and others, inhabitants of the county of Richmond, praying that they may be allowed by law to hold their elections at the court-houſe in ſaid county, was read, and referred to Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. Wood and Mr. Stilwell.

A petition of Gilbert Livingſton and others, freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie, praying that the right of ſuffrage for truſtees may extend to the inhabitants as well as freeholders of the ſaid village, was read, and referred to Mr. Emott, Mr. Mott and Mr. Barker.

Three petitions from inhabitants of the county of Ontario, praying alterations in the laws relative to the ſale of real eſtates by execution, were read, and referred to Mr. Norton, Mr. Van Renſſelaer and Mr. Bogert.

The Attorney-General to whom was referred the petition of John Lanſing, of the city of Schenectady, reported, That by the petition it appears that Arent Veeder was the natural child of Mary Kittle, the mother of the petitioner. That during the late war the ſaid Arent Veeder enliſted as a private in the regiment commanded by colonel Van Schaick, and in the year 1779, while in the ſervice, died. That previous to his enliſtment he was maintained by the town of Schenectady. That after his deceaſe letters patent were iſſued in his name for lot No. 13, in the townſhip of Solon. The petitioner further ſtates, that the ſaid Mary Kittle has for ſome time paſt been a lunatic, and as ſhe is not poſſeſſed of any property, ought of right to have been maintained as a pauper at the expence of the city of Schenectady, but that ſhe has been dependent on the petitioner and others, her relations, for ſubſiſtence. The petitioner prays that, from the peculiar circumſtances of this caſe, the Legiſlature will be pleaſed to veſt him with the title of the ſaid lot No. 13, on his giving ſecurity to indemnify the city of Schenectady againſt all charges for the future maintainance of the aforeſaid Mary Kittle. Two of the poor-maſters of the city of Schenectady unite in the prayer of the petition. By a report of the commiſſioners for ſettling the title to lands in the county of Onondaga, it appears that letters patent have iſſued in the name of Arent Veeder, for lot No. 13 in the town of Solon, but that the ſame are void by reaſon of his death in 1779. The title to the ſame lot therefore remains in the people of this State, and is ſubject to the diſpoſition of the Legiſlature. As the preſent application is addreſſed wholly to the bounty and diſcretion of the Legiſlature, the Attorney-General forbears to offer any remarks on the propriety of directing the propoſed grant; he

has conceived it his duty to confine himself merely to the foregoing ſtatement.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, March 4th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be referred to the committee appointed to conſider and report what diſpoſition ſhould be made of the military lots which have revert-ed to the State.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of Robert Fuller and others, reported, That the petitioners alledge, that they have for ſome years reſid-ed on a tract formerly granted to Leonard Liſpenard and others, having ſettled on the ſame under contracts with perſons who claimed to be the proprietors. That from certain recent circumſtances, they are induced to believe the title to the ſaid tract of land is veſted in the people of this State by the attainder of Oliver Delan-cey and others. They therefore ſolicit that a nenquiry may be directed to be made in the premiſes, to the end, that in caſe the right of the State ſhall be eſtabliſhed, they may become purchaſers under the State. On the 6th day of September, 1770, let-ters patent for the ſaid tract of land were granted to Leonard Liſpenard, jun. An-thony Liſpenard, David Johnſton, Stephen Delancey, John Fitzpatrick, Tondan Cock, Peter Stuyveſant, Teunis Somerendike, Martin Shier, George Stanton, Henry Stanton, Roſe Graham and Mary Graham. It has been ſuggeſted by the petition-ers, that the names of theſe patentees were uſed for the benefit of Oliver Delancey, And that ſoon after the letters patent were granted, they releaſed and conveyed their reſpective rights to the ſaid Oliver Delancey. Several affidavits are ſubmit-ted with the petition tending to verify this ſuggeſtion. The only legal evidence of its truth is the production of ſuch releaſes, or the proof of their exiſtence, in a courſe of judicial proceedings, to be inſtituted for aſcertaining the ſame. If the aſſertions of the petitioners can be thus verified, the property of right will belong to the people of this State, in conſequence of the attainder of the ſaid Oliver Delan-cey. Several of the patentees are dead, and others of them are yet living, ſome of them reſide in this State, and ſome, there is now reaſon to believe, are non reſidents. If releaſes were formerly executed by any of them, the ſame have not been record-ed. It is therefore probable they were taken by Oliver Delancey, who is now dead, on his departure from this State to England, and of courſe it will be extreme-ly difficult, if not altogether impoſſible, under the circumſtances of this caſe, to ob-tain the poſſeſſion of ſuch releaſes. If the Legiſlature ſhall deem it expedient, on the ſuggeſtion of the petitioners, and the proofs in ſupport thereof exhibited by them, to aſcertain the right of the State to the lands abovementioned, it will be ne-ceſſary to direct the Attorney-General to inſtitute the proper ſuits, againſt the above named patentees and the preſent claimants of the property under them, for the pur-poſe of enforcing in a court of chancery a diſcovery whether or not the title to the premiſes was veſted in Oliver Delancey at the time of his attainder.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, March 4th, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions praying the eſtabliſhment of a turnpike road from the village of Utica, in the coun-ty of Oneida, to Geneva, in the county of Ontario, reported, That according to the beſt information the committee have been able to obtain, they are ſatisfied that the ſtatements made in the petitions are true. They are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. That they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Van Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the vil-lage of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the coun-ty of Ontario," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven an Mr. Van Vechten, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Sena have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridg Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," which was read the firſt time, and ordere a ſecond reading.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition John Tryon, John W. Schermerhorn and James M'Kown, reported, That the have examined the act referred to by the petitioners. That the exceptions poin ed out by them are well founded, and that an alteration appears to be neceſſar to enable them, as commiſſioners, to procure the neceſſary ſubſcriptions for com pleating the turnpike road from Albany to New-Lebanon ſprings, in the town Canaan. The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petition ers ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for th purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Van Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entitle "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporatio for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and f repealing the acts therein mentioned, which was read the firſt time, and ordered ſecond reading.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom was referred petitions fro ſundry perſons praying an act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improvin the road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferr on the Suſquehannah river, reported, That it is of importance to this State, th the roads within the ſame ſhould be put in the beſt poſſible ſtate of repair. Th the preſent ſtate of the road, propoſed to be improved, is unfavourable to t tranſportation of the produce of our extenſive and fertile country. The committe are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, an have directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſ Leave being given, Mr. Van Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An a to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from th town of Saliſbury, in the ſtate of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Suſque hannah river," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Savage, purſuant to notice heretofore given, moved for and obtained leav to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to ſubdivide the four great diſtricts of this Stat into further diſtricts for the election of Senators," which was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitle "An act to authorize John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus to erect a draw bridge acroſs the mouth of the Wappinger's creek, in the county of Dutcheſs," to gether with ſundry petitions for, and memorials againſt the paſſing of ſuch ac reported, That from an examination of the teſtimony exhibited to the committee the following facts have appeared: That Wappinger's creek is navigable for on mile and three quarters from Hudſon river. That extenſive and valuable manu factories are ſituated at, and along the head of this navigation; and that there is veſſel of forty tons burthen, drawing four and a half feet water, belonging to, an attending ſaid factories; and that the committee are aſſured another veſſel, no conſtructing, of greater burthen and ſimilar draft of water, will alſo ſail from th place the enſuing ſeaſon. That it appears to the committee, by certified map of the country and creek in queſtion, that the landing, contemplated by the pet tioners, is acceſſible in a direction on the northern ſide of ſaid creek, whereon it perfectly practicable to conſtruct a good road, apparently as convenient to th county in general as the one propoſed by this bridge. The committee further be lieve, that it is not eſſentially neceſſary that a bridge ſhould be placed acroſs th mouth of the ſaid creek, for the purpoſe, as it is ſtated, of avoiding the difficulty i getting veſſels over the flatts into the channel of the river, becauſe it evidently ap pears that the inhabitants on the ſouth ſide of the creek can be accomodated at th farmer's or burger's landing, which is juſt below the mouth of ſaid creek, with ve ſels drawing about ſeven feet water.

And with reſpect to the petition of ſundry perſons in Ulſter and Orange coun-
, the committee obſerve that, in their opinion, for the reaſons before given,
diſavantages in ſaid petition ſtated, relative to the ferry therein mentioned,
not of ſuch a nature as to juſtify Legiſlative interference. Wherefore the
mittee are of opinion that it would be a dangerous experiment to place any
ruction, either by draw-bridge or otherwiſe, in this navigation. And that ap-
ations tending ſo materially to injure the factories before alluded to, without
public advantage, ought to be diſcountenanced. The committee are therefore
nimouſly of opinion that the prayers of the petitions ought not to be granted.
Ordered, That the ſaid report and bill, together with the ſaid petitions and
morials, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee appointed on the part of this Houſe, to confer
h a committee on the part of the Hon. the Senate, relative to the report of the
ident, directors and company of the weſtern inland lock navigation company,
orted, That they have accordingly met and conferred with the ſaid directors,
received from them ſundry propoſitions, reduced to the form of a bill, which
been laid before the Hon. the Senate. Whether the plan, propoſed by the di-
ors, is the moſt eligible means of relieving the company from its embarraſs-
nt, the committee do not take on them to decide. But they are of opinion,
t the diſadvantages which have already ariſen to the State, from being connect-
with this and any other private companies, render it a proper ſubject for the
conſideration of this Houſe.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition
Elizabeth Jackſon, reported, That the ſtatement made by the petitioner is not
ſtantiated by any document whatever, and that it does not appear that ſhe is by
entitled to relief. The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of
petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition
David Wandle, reported, That it appears from the petition that David Wandle
a ſoldier in Col. Spencer's regiment of continental troops, and was wounded at
battle of Germantown, and has ſince been on the penſion liſt, and entitled to
allowance of ſixty dollars per annum. The petitioner was not in the line of
is State, nor was he returned as one of the quota of this State. It is therefore
opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be
anted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Williamſon, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of James
lloway and others, reported, That from the local knowledge of the committee,
d ſuch information as they have been able to receive, they are of opinion that the
neſit the inhabitants would receive from a mill being erected at the place con-
mplated, would be much greater than the diſadvantage from any obſtruction
at could be made in the navigation of Mud-creek, by the erecting of a dam acroſs
ſame, particularly if the dam was conſtructed in ſuch a manner as to allow boats
be drawn over it with eaſe, or let through it by a lock. The committee are
erefore of opinion that the prayer of the petition, under the reſtrictions propoſed
the petitioners, ought to be granted, and requeſt leave to bring in a bill for the
rpoſe, or to add a clauſe to ſome bill ſuitable for the object.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Purſuant to the order of the day, the Houſe reſolved itſelf into a committee of
whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act providing for the ſalaries of the
ncellor, and juſtices of the ſupreme court; and after ſome time ſpent thereon,
r. Speaker reſumed the chair, and Mr. Swartwout, from the ſaid committee, re-
rted, That the committee had made ſome progreſs, and that he was directed to
ve for leave to ſit again. Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid com-
ittee ſhould have leave to ſit again, and it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Thomas, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for, and ob-
ined leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act providing for the election of the

electors of a President and Vice-President of the United States," which was
the first time, and by unanimous consent was also read the second time, and c
mitted to a committee of the whole House.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, pursuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for l
to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to annex the county of Columbia to the ea
district." Mr. Speaker put the question on the said motion, and it passed in
negative.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole House on the bill, entitled "
act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulster into a separate county,"
ported, That after the bill had been read in the committee, the first enacting cl
thereof was again read, and debates had thereon. That the question having b
put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it passed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, seconded by
Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Everton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuys
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Rockwell,		

Which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in h
place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed
by the House.

Mr. Woolsey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition
Rynier and Matthias Nack, reported, That the petitioners state they were exi
from New-York during the late war, and that after the peace a certain sum of m
ney was assessed, by mistake, on their property in New-York, and collected as
part of the tax commonly called the partial tax. This tax was laid on the southe
district, and proportioned to the several counties therein, according to the quot
then established. It follows therefore, that if a mistake was made, and the proper
of the petitioners improperly taxed, the county is bound to give them relief. It
therefore the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioners ought n
to be granted.

Resolved, That this House do agree with the committee in their said report.

Mr. Woolsey, from the committee of the whole House on the bill, entitled "A
act to amend the act, entitled "An act regulating the liberties of gaols," report
progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the furth
consideration of the said last mentioned bill, and that the same be committed
Mr. Riggs, Mr. Everton and Mr. Van Rensselaer.

Mr. M'Cord, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the memorial of Ebenezer Stevens, reported, That the committee had agreed to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this committee, That a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill, providing for the payment of a balance due on a contract made by the commiſſioners, for erecting fortifications, appointed by virtue of the act, entitled "An act authorizing the erecting of fortifications within this State."

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe. Thereupon

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill, providing for the payment of a balance due on a contract made by the commiſſioners, for erecting fortifications, appointed by virtue of the act, entitled "An act authorizing the erecting of fortifications within this State," and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Strong be of the ſaid committee.

Mr. Comſtock, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow of John Hanſon, deceaſed," reported, That the enacting clauſe of the ſaid bill was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That Mary Hanſon, of the city of New-York, widow and relict of John Hanſon, deceaſed, be annually allowed the ſum of dollars, during her natural life, in full ſatisfaction of all her claims againſt this State, as widow or legatee of the ſaid John Hanſon; which ſum ſhall be payable quarter-yearly, in equal proportions, out of any money which may be unappropriated in the Treaſury of this State.

That the queſtion being put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. A Gilbert, ſeconded by Mr. Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,	
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,	
Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey,	45
Mr. Livingſton,				

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Wattles,	39
Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Taber,		

Mr. Comſtock reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

A communication from the Rev. Mr. Johnſon, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Albany, March 4th, 1800.

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker,

In obedience to the wiſhes of the Legiſlature, communicated to me by concurrent reſolutions of both Houſes, I now do myſelf the honour to incloſe you a copy of the diſcourſe, delivered before them on the 22d ult. for the purpoſe mentioned in the ſaid reſolution. Permit me to embrace this opportunity to expreſs the high ſenſe which I entertain of this flattering teſtimonial, and to reciprocate to the Legiſlature my grateful acknowledgement for the favorable expreſſion of their approbation.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
with profound conſideration,
your moſt obedient ſervant,
JOHN B. JOHNSON.

The Hon. *Stephen Van Renſſelaer*, Eſq.
Preſident of the Senate.
The Hon. *Dirck Ten Broeck*,, Eſq.
Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 4th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to revive the laws for the ſupport of the public hoſpital in the city of New-York," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Norton and Mr. Noyes deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the acts therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Suſquehannah river," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridge, Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of William W. Sacket, relative to the bounty lands of Daniel Flanagan, and the petition of Mary Black, widow of James Black, deceaſed, praying compenſation for the ſervices of her deceaſed huſband, were ſeverally read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of Ephraim Hudſon and others, inhabitants of the county of Otſego, praying that a law may be paſſed, prohibiting horſe-racing on public highways, was read, and referred to Mr. Roſeboom, Mr. J. Smith and Mr. Watrous.

A petition of Joſhua Merſereau, Caleb Hyde and Emanuel Coryell, commiſſioners of taxes, in the county of Tioga, praying that they may be enabled by law, to hold their meetings at the village of Owego, in the town of Union, in the ſaid county, was read and referred to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. King and Mr. Garnſey.

A petition of Henry Delord and others, inhabitants of the counties of Eſſex and Clinton, praying grants of vacant lands, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State."

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Saratoga, relative to the manner of chooſing electors of a Preſident and Vice-Preſident, and for dividing the great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts, were read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act providing for the election of the Electors of a Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States."

A petition of Thomas Dickens, of the town of North-Salem, in the county of ſtchester, relative to the title of a lot of bounty land, granted to his deceaſed , was read, and referred to the committee appointed on the part of this Houſe to ſfer with a committee on the part of the Hon. the Senate, relative to the milita- lots reported by the Onondaga commiſſioners to have reverted to the State.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was referred the petition the preſident and directors of the Columbian turnpike company, reported, That would be highly inconvenient, if not impracticable, for ſaid company to com- nce the road, contemplated by the act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike rporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſa- uſetts, on the route to Hartford," at the city-hall, in the city of Hudſon, inaſ- ch as the aqueducts for furniſhing the ſaid city with water are led through the ntre of the ſtreet, in which ſaid road muſt run, for nearly one quarter of a mile ſtward from ſaid city. The logs, through which the water paſſes, are frequent- broken, or otherwiſe out of repair. That the proprietors enjoy the privilege of aking the ſtreet, and removing the ſurface thereof, when, and as often as it may neceſſary for mending or repairing ſaid logs. And as it would interfere with e rights of the ſaid city, extending for ſome diſtance within the city plot, they e convinced that a ſtrict adherence to the route, directed by the ſaid act, would, a great meaſure, defeat the object of the act of incorporation. It would alſo be convenient and oppreſſive to the inhabitants of the village of Claverack, to have e gate, neareſt Hudſon, erected as in ſaid act directed, moſt of them paſſing by e houſe of Peter Meſick for their fire-wood. They are of opinion that the mode aſcertaining tolls, as preſcribed by ſaid act, being vague and uncertain, would d to endleſs diſputes and controverſies. They alſo deem it proper to ſubſtitute mode for determining the damages to be ſuſtained by parties, whoſe property y be affected by ſaid road, more ſummary, leſs expenſive, and better calculated conduce to the adminiſtration of juſtice. They are therefore of opinion that the yer of the petitioners ſhould be granted. That they have prepared a bill for e purpoſes aforeſaid, and beg leave to preſent the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. an Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts, on the route to Hartford," which was read e firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Van Vechten d Mr. Beeckman, was read, That the Senate do not concur with this Houſe, in eir reſolution of the 28th ult. relative to appointing a joint committee of both ouſes to conſider and report what meaſures ought to be adopted reſpecting cer- in lands in the county of Onondaga.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van echten and Mr. Beeckman, was read, That the Senate do not concur with this ouſe, in their reſolution of the 28th ult. directing the Attorney-General to pro- ed in the proſecution of an inquiſition relative to the non-ſettlement of certain nds granted, by letters patent, to Cornelius Van Schaack and others, in the town Canaan, in the county of Columbia.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Vech- n and Mr. Beeckman, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Whereas, by the report of the commiſſioners for ſettling diſputes concerning the les to lands in the county of Onondaga, it appears to be their opinion that no ht paſſed by virtue of letters patent, iſſued to the ſeveral perſons mentioned in e ſame report, or to other perſons who hold lots in the military tracts, under pa- ts iſſued to perſons who died before the twenty-ſeventh day of March, one thou- d ſeven hundred and eighty-three.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of the nate and Aſſembly be appointed to take the ſubject into conſideration, and to port what meaſures ought to be adopted reſpecting the ſaid lands, and in caſe of

ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Spencer, Mr. Gold and Mr. Hatfield be of the committee on the part of the Senate.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate, in their ſaid ceding reſolution, and that Mr. Henry, Mr. Wood, Mr. Evertſon, Mr. E. G and Mr. M'Cord be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Oothout and Mr. Oſtrom deliver a copy of the precedi ſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Ryers, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obt leave to bring in a bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " An a raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs, in the county of Richmo which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Riggs, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, ent " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act concerning the liberties of ga reported, That the committee had prepared a ſubſtitute for the ſaid bill, whic was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and vered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and committed committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Evertſon, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and tained leave to bring in a bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " concerning the ſupreme court," which was read the firſt time, and ordered cond reading.

Mr. Bill, from the committee appointed to conſider and report, whether and if any, what alterations are neceſſary in the act for the aſſeſſment and co tion of taxes, and to report by bill or otherwiſe, reported a bill, entitled " A to explain and amend the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," w was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Teed, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of J Rider and John Vail, reported, That the facts ſtated in the ſaid petitions are t The committee are therefore of opinion that the prayers thereof ought to be gr ed, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a clauſe or clauſes to be adde ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Jo Harris and others, reported, That the ſtatement of facts in the petition appea be juſt. The prayer is, that a certain lot and mill-ſeat, on the Canaſerago-cr may be ſold conditionally to contractors for building a griſt-mill there. It pears that the ſettlement is populous, and no mill nearer than 12 or 14 m The committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be gran and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a clauſe to be added to ſome pr bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer made a motion that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their termination had yeſterday, on a motion made by him, for leave to bring in a to annex the county of Columbia to the eaſtern diſtrict of this State. Mr. Spe put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Ryers, ſeconded by Mr. Snell, as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſalea
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous, 47
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	

Thereupon *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer according to leave brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to annex the county of Columbia to the eaſtern diſtrict of this State for the election of Senators," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Ryers made a motion that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their determination had yeſterday, on the queſtion for agreeing with the committee of the whole Houſe in their report on the bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county." Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, ſeconded by Mr. Ryers, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood, 51
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey, 45
Mr. Deitz,			

Thereupon *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Beekman and Mr. Bloom, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange and Delaware," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

In purſuance of the ſtatute relative to that ſubject, an arſenal has been erected on the lot, belonging to the State, in Watervliet-ſtreet, and the adjoining little lot has been purchaſed for the ſum limited by the act reſpecting it. The arſenal is nearly compleated. The ſums hitherto iſſued for the purpoſe, are 8752 dols. 85½ cents, paid to the contractors, in money and materials, and 1427 dols. 14½ cents, which has been applied by the ſuperintendants to repairing the wharf and defraying other incidental expences, but the account of which remains to be audited and finally ſettled.

The lot on which the arſenal ſtands, and the leſſer one lately purchaſed, afford ample room for an eſtabliſhment on any ſcale that may be deemed expedient. How far, and to what extent a manufactory of arms ſhould be connected with it, the Legiſlature will conſider and decide.

It is proper that proviſion be made for keeping this, and all other buildings belonging to the State, in conſtant repair.

Two thouſand five hundred ſtand of arms have been imported, and will be placed in this arſenal as ſoon as it ſhall be fit to receive them. And proviſion ſhould be made for keeping them, and all arms depoſited in the arſenal, in good order. The accounts reſpecting thoſe arms are not finally ſettled.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 5th March, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excelleney the Governor be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Garnſey made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, with a recital, in the words following, viz.

Whereas a proſecution, in the name of the people of this State, has lately been inſtituted to inquire relative to the forfeiture of certain lands, claimed by Cornelius Van Schaack and five others, ſituate in the town of Canaan, in the county of Columbia. Which proſecution has been ſanctioned by the Attorney-General, who is not diſpoſed further to proſecute the ſame. And whereas Joſiah Patterſon, junior and Aſel King, junior, in behalf of themſelves and others, of ſaid town, have prayed the aſſent and direction of either or both Houſes of the Legiſlature in the premiſes. Therefore,

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this Houſe, That the ſaid Attorney-General may, and is hereby directed to proceed in the premiſes, and proſecute the ſame to effect, but at the coſts and expence of the ſaid petitioners.

Debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Woolſey, ſeconded by Mr. Bill, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warrone,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles.
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,		

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For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,	
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey,	37
Mr. E. Gilbert,				

Ordered, That the clerk of this Houſe furniſh the Attorney-General with a copy of the ſaid reſolution.

The order of the day was poſtponed until to-morrow.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 6th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame;" the bill, entitled "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange and Delaware;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts, on the route to Hartford;" the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the laws for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme court;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond," and the bill, entitled "An act to annex the county of Columbia to the eaſtern diſtrict of this State for the election of Senators," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Joſt Fols, of the county of Herkimer, praying compenſation for military ſervices, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of ſundry merchants of the city of New-York, relative to eſtabliſhing the office of public weigher in the ſaid city, was read and referred to the committee to whom was referred the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, of the 17th ult.

A memorial of the inhabitants of the town of Aurelius, againſt the removal of the courts from the village of Cayuga, was read, and referred to Mr. Halſey, Mr. Wattles and Mr. Tinkham.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, of the 6th inſtant, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Stevens, Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Henry, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Mott.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the ſeveral petitions of Ezekiel Barker and others, of Nehemiah Gates and others, and of David Thompſon and others, reported, That the petitioners, named in the two firſt petitions, ſtate that they are proprietors of lands commonly called the Hoſick patent. That in the year 1754, a ſurvey of the ſaid patent was made, and a partition thereof effected, among the reſpective proprietors of the ſame. That the deeds of partition are loſt, but that the ſeveral poſſeſſions of the preſent poſſeſſors have been held, in conformity to ſuch ſurvey and partition. And from an apprehenſion that ſuch ſurvey and partition may be drawn into controverſy, and they thereby injured, they pray a law may be paſſed, confirming the ſame. The laſt petition prays that the Legiſlature will not interfere in the premiſes.

To grant the prayer of the firſt petitions might impair the legal rights of third perſons, and if the allegations of the petitioners are true, and can be ſupported, the courts of law and of equity are competent to grant them relief. In the opinion of the Attorney-General therefore, any Legiſlative interference in the premiſes would be improper.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted,

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, March 5th, 1800.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Attorney-General in his ſaid report.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of John Brown, reported, That the petitioner ſtates that, in the year 1795, a tract of 210,000 acres of land, in Herkemer county, was mortgaged to him, for the ſecurity of a large ſum, by James Greenleaf. That in virtue of a decree of the court of chancery of this State, on a bill filed to foreclose the equity of redemption of a prior mortgage, executed to Philip Livingſton, a ſale of the premiſes took place in the year 1798, at which the petitioner was the purchaſer, for the conſideration of 33,000 dollars. That at the time of ſuch ſale there was due to him upwards of 46,000 dollars, and that he has ſince expended in the improvement of the premiſes about 9000 dollars.

In conſequence of an intimation heretofore given to the petitioner, by the Attorney-General, that the title of James Greenleaf to the premiſes was derived from an alien, and that meaſures would neceſſarily be purſued to veſt the right and title to the ſame in the people of this State, the petitioner prays that the ſaid right and title may by law be veſted in and granted to him.

From the conveyances accompanying the petition, it appears, that on the 8th March, 1793, the premiſes were conveyed by Samuel Ward, a citizen of this State, to John Julius Angerſtein, and that the title of the petitioner is deduced from ſuch conveyance. If John Julius Angerſtein was an alien, and of which there is no doubt, he muſt be conſidered, as taken for the benefit of the people of this State, and all ſubſequent conveyances are invalid. On information of this fact being given to the Attorney-General, he conceived it his official duty, to aſcertain the ſame, by the ordinary legal procedure, and accordingly obtained a writ out of the court of chancery for that purpoſe. No other proceedings have yet been had thereon, but in the courſe of the enſuing ſummer it is propoſed to execute the ſame, to the end, that an office may be found, and the title of the State in the premiſes, thereby perfected.

It is proper to remark, that before ſuch office is found, the abſolute title cannot be conſidered as veſted in the people, and by a decision in the ſupreme court, ſanctioned as the Attorney-General is informed by the higheſt court of law in the State, it is to be queſtioned, whether the preſent imperfect right of the people can paſs by any law, granting the ſame to the petitioner. When the preſent inchoate right of the people is converted into an abſolute eſtate, it will be competent in the Legiſlature to grant ſuch relief to the petitioner as his claim may juſtly merit. For theſe reaſons, and without conſidering the peculiar merits of the preſent caſe, the Attorney-General is of opinion, that the application is premature, and that it would be inexpedient to grant the ſame.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, March 6th, 1800.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Attorney-General in his ſaid report.

Two remonſtrances from inhabitants of the town of Woodſtock, in the county of Ulſter, againſt paſſing the bill for erecting parts of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county, were read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the ſaid bill.

Mr. Woolley, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Baltus Smith, reported, That they have no knowledge of any facts, but what are ſtated in the petition, and that if ſuch facts are true, the committee are of opinion that the petitioner is not entitled to relief.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolley, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the communication from Ebenezer Stevens, commiſſary of military ſtores, with an account of John M'Lean, for ſundry expences incurred in removing cannon and military ſtores to the new arſenal, in New-York, and for other ſervices, reported, That a clauſe ſhould be added to ſome proper bill authorizing the Comptroller of the State to examine and audit ſaid account, and to draw a warrant on the Treaſurer for what-

ver ſum may be due thereon to the ſaid John M'Lean. And that leave ſhould be
ven to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition
Batchellor Sherman, reported, that the facts on which the petitioner founds his
im, are ſet forth in his petition, and the documents which accompany it; and
at theſe do not furniſh any proof whatever that he is entitled to relief. It is the
inion of the committee therefore, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to
granted.

Reſolved, That the Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey from the committee of claims, on the petition of William W. Sack-
, reported, that from the facts ſtated in the petition, it does not appear to them
at the petitioner is entitled to relief. It is their opinion therefore, that the pray-
of ſaid petition ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Bill from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Caſparus Hew-
n and others, reported, that the law paſſed the 31ſt of March, 1797, and the law
aſſed the 23d February, 1798, regulating buildings in certain parts of the city of
lbany, appear to be unequal in their operation. That the petitioners are entitled
relief, and that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill; leave being given, Mr.
ill brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act further to amend an act entitled "An
ct to regulate buildings in certain limits of the city of Albany," which was read the
irſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Butler from the ſelect committee to whom was referred the meſſage of his
Excellency the Governor of the 29th January laſt, accompanied with a letter from
he Surveyor-General, reported, That in conſequence of the reſolution which ori-
inated with the Honorable the Senate, relative to the St. Regis Indians, they have
orborne to take up that part of the letter which refers thereto, the ſame having been
lready diſpoſed of by the ſaid reſolution with reſpect to the remaining ſubjects refer-
ed to in the ſaid meſſage and letter; it is the opinion of the committee, that no
aw exiſts which will enable the Surveyor-General to comply with the requiſitions
ontemplated in the law, paſſed the 11ſt day of April, 1797, directing the Surveyor-
eneral to diſpoſe of certain lands in the village of Salina, at the ſalt ſprings; and
he law paſſed the 3d day of April, 1797, directing the Surveyor-General to
ay out part of the lot number one, in the town of Hannibal, into lots, and to diſ-
oſe of them; the committee being of opinion that further legiſlative proviſion
s neceſſary in the buſineſs; they have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and
irected their chairman to requeſt leave to bring in the ſame; leave being given,
Mr. Butler brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act to amend an act enti-
led "An act concerning the ſalt ſprings and lot No. 1, in the town of Hannibal,"
which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Butler from the committe to whom was referred the petitions of the inha-
itants of the county of Onondaga, relative to the lots reſerved in the ſeveral towns
in ſaid county for the uſe of goſpel and ſchools, reported, that the facts ſtated in
he ſaid petitions appear to the committee to be true; they are therefore of opinion
hat the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted; they have accordingly pre-
ared a bill, and directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame;
eave being given, Mr. Butler brought in the ſaid bill entitled "An act to amend
n act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the goſpel and ſchools,
nd for the promotion of literature in the mlitary tract, in the county of Ononda-
a," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Tinkham, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions and re-
onſtrances of the inhabitants of the county of Tioga, relative to eſtabliſhing the
ourts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace and county clerk's office,
t the village of Owego, in ſaid county, reported, That in their opinion the prayer
f the petitions ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a
ill for that purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Tinkham brought in the ſaid bill,

entitled "An act eſtabliſhing the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions o the peace, and clerk's office, in the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee appointed for the purpoſe, brought in a bill entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contrac made by the commiſſioners of fortifications," which was read the firſt time, and or dered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Bronk with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act concerning ſuperviſors," to which they requeſt the concurrenc of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bronk and Mr. Cantine with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, were read, That the Senate hav paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the truſtees of the Preſbyterian church and congregation of the town of Salem to ſell and diſpoſe of certain land for the benefit of the ſaid church and congregation," with the amendments there with delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Oſtrom and Mr. Pettit deliver the bill to the Hon. the Se nate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments, and have amended the bill accordingly.

Mr. King, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of Congreſs, reſpecting balances reported againſt cer tain States, by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral States," reported, That after the bill had been read in the committee, the firſt enacting clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That this State doth hereby engage to expend within five years after the paſſing of this act, in erecting, enlarging and compleating fortifications within this State, for the defence of the United States, at ſuch place or places, (the juriſdiction whereof ſhall be previouſly to ſuch expenditure ceded by this State to the United States, with reſervation that proceſs civil and criminal, iſſuing under the authority of this State, may be ſerved and executed thereon) and according to ſuch plan or plans, as ſhall be approved by the Preſident of the United States, a ſum in money which with the ſums already expended by this State, ſince the eſtabliſhment of the preſent government of the United States, in fortifying any place within this State and for which this State may be credited as herein after mentioned, ſhall be equal to the ſum aſſumed by the United States, in the debt of this State, upon the principles mentioned and contained in the act of Congreſs, entitled "An act reſpecting balances reported againſt certain States, by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral States."

That debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Ryerſs, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Dory,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles.
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adsiance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bryan,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Tabor,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Renthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Mathers,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous. 48

Mr. King reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Floyd from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation between the villages of Lanſingburgh and Troy," reported, that after the ſaid bill had been read in the committee, Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to ſubſtitute a bill (in the room of the one before them) entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation of the Hudſon river between the villages of Lanſingburgh and Troy, and to improve the navigation of the ſaid river between the ſaid villages and the village of Waterford." That the queſtion having been put whether the committee did agree to the motion of Mr. Comſtock, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the committee had gone through the ſaid bill ſo ſubſtituted, made amendments, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 7th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation of the Hudſon's river between the villages of Lanſingburgh and Troy, and to improve the navigation of the ſaid river between the ſaid villages and the village of Waterford," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Pettit and Mr. Poſt deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act concerning ſuperviſors;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications;" the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh the court of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace, and clerk's office, of the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the goſpel and ſchools, and for the promotion of literature, in the military tract in the county of Onondaga;" and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the ſalt ſprings and lot No. 1, in the town of Hannibal," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of a number of inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, relative to the manner of chooſing electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act providing for the election of the electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States."

A petition of Cornelius Lanſing, relative to the title to a military lot of land granted by letters patent to Henry Norton, late a private in Col. Van Schaick's regiment, and a petition of Seth Shaw and others, relative to the title to lot No. 45, in the town of Homer, in the county of Onondaga, were ſeverally read, and referred to the committee appointed on the part of this Houſe to confer with a committee on the part of the Hon. the Senate relative to the diſpoſition of certain lands in the military tract.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Cheeſecocks, in the county of O range, praying alterations in the diviſion lines of ſaid town, was read, and referre to the members from the county of Orange.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Cantine an Mr. Clark, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Se nate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "A act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects," and the bill, entitled "An ac eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry between the counties of Weſtcheſter and Rock land," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Cantine and Mr Clark, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Se nate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act giving certain powers to the magiſtrate of this State in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice," with the amendments there with delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Poſt and Mr. Pratt deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments, and have amended the bill accordingly.

Mr. Bill, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions from the in habitants of the third and fourth wards of the city of Schenectady, brought in according to leave, a bill, entitled "An act relative to the duty of the commiſ ſioners of highways for the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Bill, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and to repeal a certain ſection of an act therein mentioned," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Comſtock, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from ſundry inhabitants of the towns of Greenfield and Northumberland, praying for the erection of a new town, reported, That the facts ſet forth by the petitioners ap pear to be well founded, and that the committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. They have prepared a clauſe to be added to the bill, entitled "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange and Delaware," and have directed their chairman to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Humfrey, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Benajah Smith and others, reported, That the facts ſet forth in the ſaid petition are true, and that in the opinion of the committtee leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill granting relief to the petitioners. Leave being given, Mr. Humfrey brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act granting lands to the Preſbyterian church and con gregation in the town of Saliſbury, in the county of Montgomery," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Johnſon, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and ob tained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert John ſton," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, reported, That in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill accordingly. Leave being given Mr. Oothout brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, al dermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Savage, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions and remonſtrances relative to the place for holding the courts in the county of Oneida, reported, That by a law paſſed the 15th March, 1798, entitled "An act to divide the county of Herkimer," it is enacted, That the court-houſe in the county of Oneida ſhall be erected within one mile of Fort-Schuyler, otherwiſe Fort-Stanwix. That by reaſon of the ſaid act much uneaſineſs prevails among the inhabitants of ſaid county. That upwards of 1850 perſons, ſtiling themſelves inhabitants of ſaid county, have petitioned the Legiſlature, praying to have the court-houſe erected near the houſe of Lemuel Johnſon, in the town of Whiteſtown, in the ſaid county. That upwards of 630 perſons, ſtiling themſelves inhabitants of ſaid county, have remonſtrated againſt the aforeſaid petitioners, and praying that the court-houſe in the ſaid county may be erected in the town of Rome, agreeable to the preſent exiſting law. The committee further report, that from the information they have collected from the inhabitants of the ſaid county, gentlemen differ much in their ſentiments on this ſubject. That the committee have examined the map of ſaid county, and finding the bounds thereof to be very extenſive, are of opinion it would be proper in eſtabliſhing the court-houſe to have reſpect to the future diviſion of ſaid county. The committee are informed that a diviſion of ſaid county is contemplated in the manner following, (that is to ſay) by a line to be drawn from the diviſion line between the counties of Herkimer and Oneida, parallel with the north line of the towns of Steuben and Weſtern, and the ſaid line continued ſoutherly till it ſtrikes the creek called the Fiſh-creek, then down ſaid creek as it runs to the Oneida lake. Suppoſing this to be the diviſion line, the county of Oneida would be a very compact county, extending from north to ſouth about 35 miles, and from eaſt to weſt about 30 miles. Under this view of the county, and conſidering that the great road leading to the Geneſee, goes through the town of Whiteſtown, it would be moſt for the convenience of the inhabitants of ſaid county to erect the court-houſe in the town of Whiteſtown. But ſhould the line of ſaid county extend ſo far north as to comprehend the towns of Leyden and Camden, it would be moſt proper to erect the court-houſe at the town of Rome, agreeable to the preſent law. And ſhould the Legiſlature think it improper to take into conſideration the future diviſion of the ſaid county, then it would be moſt proper to let the preſent law remain in force. All which the committee beg leave to ſubmit to the Houſe.

Ordered, That the ſaid report, together with the ſaid petitions and remonſtrances be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Denny, reported, That the petitioner ſtates his having entered into the ſervice of the United States, in Col. Gooſe Van Schaick's regiment, as a lieutenant, on the 16th February, 1776, and that he continued in that ſervice until the 7th October, 1778; when, owing to the diſtreſs of his family, he reſigned his commiſſion, and that his reſignation was accepted by the commander in chief. That after an interval of about ten days he again entered into the ſervice of his country in the quarter-maſter's department, and raiſed a company of batteau men, and that he continued in that ſervice until the cloſe of the war. For which ſervices he conceives himſelf entitled to and prays for bounty lands.

From the documents laid before the committee the facts as aforeſaid ſtated appear to be true, except that inſtead of an interval of about ten days, it does not appear, by any documents in their poſſeſſion, but what there was an interval of about two months. That it appears alſo, that the petitioner, both in the line of the army and in the quarter-maſter's department, behaved himſelf as a good officer, and to the ſatisfaction of his ſuperior officers.

The committee cannot find that the State is bound, by any exiſting engagements, to grant the prayer of the petitioner. But they are nevertheleſs of opinion that he is entitled to relief, and that leave ought to be granted to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid committee ſhould have leave to bring in ſuch bill, and it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. M'Cord made a motion that the House should reconsider their decision h yesterday, ordering the bill, entitled "An act to annex the county of Columb to the eastern district of this State for the election of Senators," to be committed the committee of the whole House. Debates arose on the said motion, and t question having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, seconded by Mr. Comstoc and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuysen
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Everston,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamson,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Sullwell,	Mr. Woolsey,

Mr. Van Rensselaer then moved for leave to withdraw the said bill, which w granted accordingly.

Mr. Marvin, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inh bitants of the town of Harpersfield, in the county of Delaware, reported, That th facts stated by the petitioners are true, and from their peculiar circumstances, appears necessary for their relief to grant Legislative aid. The committee hav prepared a bill for such purpose, and ask leave to bring in the same. Leave bein given, Mr. Marvin brought in the said bill, entitled "An act for granting reli to certain inhabitants in the town of Harpersfield, relative to quit-rents," whic was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Winne, from the committee to whom was referred the report of the Survey or-General respecting a certain tract of land, in the county of Washington, grante to John Thurman, reported, That they find, upon examining the said report, an the papers accompanying the same, that the said John Thurman is in possession about 9,860 acres of land, included in the said grant through mistake, for whic the State has not received any compensation. The committee are therefore opinion that the said John Thurman ought to pay a reasonable sum for the sam and have directed their chairman to ask leave to bring in a clause to be added to bill now before the House, or some other proper bill for that purpose.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Ryers, from the committe to whom was referred the petition of the inhab tants of the county of Richmond, reported, That the facts stated in the petition a true, and that in the opinion of the committee relief ought to be granted, and tha leave should be given to bring in a bill for that purpose. Leave being granted Mr. Ryers brought in the said bill, entitled "An act altering the mode of conduc

g elections in the county of Richmond," which was read the firſt time, and or-ered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. ſtice Lewis, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the ill, entitled "An act to augment the funds of the truſtees of Union college, in e town of Schenectady;" the bill, entitled "An act to revive and amend the act, ntitled "An act for the relief of the inhabitants of the town of Eaſton;" the bill, ntitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-eadow, known by the name of the Little Binne water, in the towns of Walkill nd Miniſinck, in the county of Orange;" the bill, entitled "An act reſpecting e clerkſhip of the circuit court, and ſittings in the city and county of New-York," nd the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the ty of New-York to order the raiſing monies by tax for the maintenance of the oor, and for defraying the other contingent expences ariſing in the city and coun-of New-York, and for other purpoſes," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clarke and Mr. Clinton, ith the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, ntitled "An act authorizing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of lbany to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps, and r the ſupport of a night-watch, in the ſaid city," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Pratt and Mr. Riggs deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council f Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by e Hon. the Senate, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council, hat the bill, entitled "An act to revive the laws for the ſupport of the public hoſ-ital, in the city of New-York," ſhould become a law of this State.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read in the com-ittee, Mr. Comſtock made a motion, that the committee ſhould agree to reject e ſaid bill. That debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Norton, ſeconded by Mr. Snell, nd were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

. Bill,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Strong,	
r. Bogert,	Mr. King,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,	
. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,	
. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
r. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,	
. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tibbits,	
r. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,	
r. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,	
r. Floyd,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,	
r. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Williams,	
. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,	
. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,	
r. Gray,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,	
r. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey.	57
. Henry,				

For the Affirmative.

r. Adriance,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	
r. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom.	Mr. Snell,	
r. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,	
r. Bruyn,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,	
r. Bull,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,	
r. Burner,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
r. Burt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,	
r. Clark,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
r. Colvin,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,	
r. Comſtock,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous.	40

That in proceeding to fill up the blank, in the ſaid bill, relative to the compen-ation per day, to be allowed to the perſons to be employed in reviſing the laws, a

motion was made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with the words "*ſo*
dollars." That the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Speaker, ſeconded by Mr. No
ton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wattles.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. King,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey.

That a motion was then made, that the ſaid blank ſhould be filled up with th
words "*three dollars and ſeventy-five cents.*" And the queſtion having been pu
thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by M
Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. King,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr, Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr, Sharp,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck.

Mr. M'Intyre reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 8th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry acroſs the Hud
ſon's river, between the counties of Weſtcheſtr and Rockland;" the bill, entitle
"An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Briti

ſubjects ;" the bill, entitled " An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and to repeal a certain ſection of an act therein mentioned ;" the bill, entitled " An act relative to the duty of the commiſſioners of highways for the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes ;" the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton ;" the bill, entitled " An act altering the mode of conducting the elections in the county of Richmond ;" the bill, entitled " An act granting lands to the Preſbyterian church and congregation in the town of Saliſbury and county of Montgomery ;" the bill, entitled " An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground, which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," and the bill, entitled " An act for granting relief to certain inhabitants in the town of Harpersfield, relative to quit-rents," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Elihu Phinney, treaſurer of the county of Otſego, was read, and referred to Mr. Wood, Mr. Henry and Mr. Noyes.

A petition of William Gamble, of Hillſdale, in the county of Columbia, praying compenſation for lands ceded to Vermont, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of David Hopkins and others, inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, relative to the mode of electing electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled " An act providing for the election of electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States.

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Columbia, relative to a turnpike corporation, were ſeverally read, and referred to Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. M'Kinſtry and Mr. Lamb.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act for the partition of lands," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment. Which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Denning, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That, in caſe the neceſſary expences of the Comptroller, for clerk-hire, ſtationary and poſtage in any one year ſhall in future appear to have exceeded the ſum of five hundred dollars, the Legiſlature will provide by law for the payment of the overplus.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Bull, were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Winne, 62
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey, 37
Mr. Henry,			

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Poſt and Mr. Pratt deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of non-concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Denning, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and his aſſociates," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 17th ult. together with the report of the Inſpector-General of proviſions in the city of New-York, reported, That the committee had prepared a bill, and had directed him to aſk for leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Woolſey brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the ſuperintendants of highways for the county of Albany, reported, That the petitioners ſtate that, in purſuance of a law paſſed at the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, they contracted for building a bridge acroſs the Norman's-kill, on the highway leading from the city of Albany to the ſouthward. That in making ſaid contract the petitioners contemplated the erection of a bridge which would be beneficial to the public, and which would induce a reaſonable hope of its ſtanding a conſiderable time. That the petitioners were therefore compelled to give more than they have been able to receive from the proceeds of a tax preſcribed in and by ſaid law. That they were obliged to borrow about the ſum of fifteen hundred dollars from the Bank of Albany and one or two individuals, for which ſum of money they are daily liable to be called upon. The petitioners pray a loan from the State, of the ſaid ſum of fifteen hundred dollars, until the ſame can be raiſed and repaid out of the ſaid tax. The committee, upon inveſtigation, find that the material facts ſtated in the petition are true, and being diſpoſed to give due credit to the public opinion, are convinced that the ſaid bridge is calculated to produce the advantages contemplated by the ſaid ſuperintendants. That although, in ordinary caſes, the finances of the State would not juſtify a loan, yet the public benefit derived from ſuch a bridge on a road ſo much travelled, induces the committee to be of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Shurtleff, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Pettit, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Warren Ferriſs and others, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true, and that

the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Pettit brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act authorizing Warren Ferriſs to build a toll-bridge acroſs Hudſon's river, at Glen's falls, between the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Henry, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Deborah Kiſſam and others, reported, That they believe the facts ſtated in the petition to be true; that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Livingſton, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Davis Hunt, reported, That the ſum appropriated by the act for the encouragement of ſchools, to the city of Albany, within which the petitioner is a ſchoolmaſter, is by the 8th ſection of that act directed to be applied for the encouragement and maintenance of ſchools by the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the ſaid city. And the petitioner, if he is entitled to any part of the money ſo appropriated, ought to apply for the ſame to the corporation of the city of Albany. The committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Denning and Mr. Foote, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Pratt and Mr. Riggs deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Orange.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act more effectually to regulate the port of New-York," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Richard Freeman, reported, That although, from the facts ſtated by the petitioner, it appears probable that he has ſome claim to relief, yet the evidence to ſubſtantiate the ſame not being complete, it is the opinion of the committee that the petitioner ſhould have leave to withdraw his petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the ſaid petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Joſt Fols, reported, That from the repreſentation of the petitioner, it appears that his claim is not on the juſtice, but on the munificence of the Legiſlature. That however meritorious his ſervices have been, it would be a dangerous experiment to grant relief in a caſe of this nature. The committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Gilliland, purſuant to notice by him for that purpoſe heretofore given, moved for, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Clinton," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled "An act for preſcribing the times, places and man-

ner of holding elections for Senators to repreſent this State in the Senate of t Congreſs of the United States of America," reported, That the committee had go through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was d rected to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivere the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, a the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Sharpe, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions fro aliens, praying to be enabled by law to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within th State, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bi entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and ho real eſtates within this State," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecon reading.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Foote an Mr. Gelſton, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That th Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſaac Sebring, ex cutor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of Jam Beeckman, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beeckman, d ceaſed;" and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Lighthall an Thomas Tredwell Jackſon," ſeverally, without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned, by Mr. Foote and Mr. Gelſton, the bill, entitle "An act to authorize the truſtees of the Preſbyterian church and congregation the town of Salem to ſell and diſpoſe of certain lands for the benefit of the ſai church and congregation," and the bill, entitled "An act giving certain powe to the magiſtrates of this State, in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice."

Ordered, That Mr. Pratt and Mr. Riggs deliver the four laſt mentioned bills t the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act for the relief of John Thurman, reported, That the committee had gone throug the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, filled up the blanks, added to the tit "*and for other purpoſes*," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to repo to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in the table, where it was agaid read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 10th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend an act," entitle "An act more effectually to regulate the port of New-York," was read the thir time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act fu ther to amend the act, entitled "An act for the partition of lands," was read th third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman, and fo other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver the three laſt mentioned bil to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively

The bill, entitled "An act for preſcribing the times, places and manner of hold ing elections for Senators to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs the United States of America," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver the bill to the Hon. th Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendmen

The bill, entitled "An act authorizing Warren Ferriſs to build a toll-bridg acroſs Hudſon's river, at Glen's falls, between the counties of Saratoga and Waſh ington;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regula the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation;" the bil

entitled " An act to continue in force the act, entitled " An act ſupplementary to the act entitled, " An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned ;" the bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " An act to divide the county of Clinton ;" the bill, entitled " An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State ;" the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and his aſſociates," and the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, relative to the manner of chooſing electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled " An act providing for the election of the electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States."

A petition of William Porter, praying a grant of bounty lands for military ſervices, and a petition of Ebenezer Park, praying a grant of bounty lands for the former military ſervices of William Hinderſon, were ſeverally read, and referred to the committee of claims.

Sundry petitions, from inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, praying that a law may be paſſed prohibiting horſe-racing, were read, and referred to Mr. Roſeboom, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. Watrous, Mr. Savage and Mr. Taber.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Gelſton and Mr. Ganſevoort, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act to alter the time for the election of charter officers in the city of New-York ; to lengthen the terms of the courts of common pleas ; to give additional power to the ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the peace in the city and county of New-York ; to reduce ſeveral laws relating particularly to the ſaid city and county into one act, and for other purpoſes," with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Roſeboom and Mr. Ryers deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Gelſton and Mr. Ganſevoort, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Solomon Simpſon and Henry Remſen," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe.

The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Gelſton and Mr. Graham, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That a joint committee of the Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to conſider and report, by bill or otherwiſe, what alterations, if any, ought to be made in the puniſhment of offences under the degree of grand larceny, and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Spencer, Mr. Van Vechten and Mr. Clinton, be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution, and that Mr. Wood, Mr. Riggs, Mr. Henry, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. King, be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. M'Cord made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, with recitals, in the words following, to wit.

Whereas conſiderable time has elapſed ſince the law was revived for appointing a Comptroller in this State. And whereas ſeveral of the good people of this State (coming from a diſtance) have been put to great inconvenience and expence, occaſioned by the non-appointment of a Comptroller. Therefore,

Reſolved, That wait on the Hon. the Council of Appointment, and requeſt them to inform this Houſe, whether they have, or have not, appointed a Comptroller, and if not, to requeſt them to acquaint this Houſe of the reaſons of ſuch delay.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Woolſey, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roſebloom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Wattles.
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey. 63
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Taber,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Watrous. 21
	Mr. Humfrey,		

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry acroſs the Hudſon's river, between the counties of Weſtcheſter and Rockland," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of the members from Weſtcheſter and Rockland counties.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh the court of common pleas and general ſeſſions, and clerk's office, of the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Williamſon and Mr. Garnſey.

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Tioga, relative to the place for holding the courts in ſaid county, were read, and referred to the laſt mentioned committee.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act authorizing Warren Ferriſs to build a toll-bridge acroſs Hudſon's river, at Glen's falls, between the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the ſaid counties.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act altering the mode of conducting the elections in the county of Richmond," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Ryers, Mr. Wood and Mr. Stilwell.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act concerning debts and demands in the city of New-York, and to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the recovery of debts and demands to the value of ten pounds in the city of New-York," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Everſon, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Bogert.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. A. Smith, Mr. Lamb and Mr. Van Benthuyſen.

A petition of John Barnard, relative to the place for holding the courts in the county of Oneida, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the report of the ſelect committeee on the petitions from the ſaid county relative thereto.

Mr. Emott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Blake, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed thereto, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the report of the Attorney-General on the petition of Robert Fuller and others, reported, That the committee had agreed to a reſolution, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſaid reſolution in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the Attorney-General be, and he is hereby directed to inſtitute ſuch ſuits or proſecutions as may be neceſſary to aſcertain whether the tract or patent of land, ſituate in the county of Otſego, granted to Leonard Liſpenard and others, is forfeited to the People of this State, by the attainder of Oliver Delancy or any other perſon or perſons whatſoever, and to report to the Legiſlature the reſult of ſuch proſecutions.

Ordered, That Mr. Rockwell and Mr. Ryerſs deliver a copy of the ſaid preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims on the petition of Mary Black, reported, That a full ſtatement of the facts relative to this claim is contained in a report of the Comptroller, dated Auguſt 5, 1798, to which the committee beg leave to refer. It is their opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for granting further allowance to the commiſſioner of exciſe in the city and county of New-York," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, altered the title to "An act eſtabliſhing an allowance to the commiſſioner of exciſe in the city and county of New-York," and agreed thereto, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſeph Quereau and Elias Quereau," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Riggs, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Charles Edwards, jun. and others, reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; more effectually to provide againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Ryerſs, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act altering the mode of conducting the elections in the county of Richmond," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 11th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſhua Quereau and Elias Quereau," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing an allowance to the commiſſioner of exciſe in the city of New-York," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act altering the mode of conducting the elections in the county of Richmond," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. Sammons deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Solomon Simpſon and Henry Remſen," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Sarah Pudney, praying a grant of bounty lands for the ſervices of her former huſband, was read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition.

A petition of Charles Platt and others, inhabitants of the county of Clinton, praying aid in eſtabliſhing an academy, was read, and referred to Mr. Gilliland, Mr. Thurman and Mr. Sargent.

Two petitions from inhabitants of Jeruſalem, in the county of Ontario, relative to the diviſion of ſaid town, was read, and referred to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Norton and Mr. Mills.

Three petitions from inhabitants of the county of Onondaga, relative to the lots reſerved for the promotion of the goſpel and the encouragement of ſchools, were read, and referred to Mr. Butler, Mr. Swartwout, Mr. Skidmore, Mr. Thurman and Mr. Manley.

A petition of ſundry perſons, ſtiling themſelves "The Schenectady fire bag company," praying to be exempted by law from ſerving in the militia, was read, and referred to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Doty and Mr. Dietz.

Ordered, That the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of William Gamble, be diſcharged from the conſideration thereof, and that the ſame be referred to the Attorney-General to report thereon.

Mr. Everſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act concerning certain debts and demands in the city of New-York, and to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the recovery of debts and demands to the value of ten pounds in the city of New-York," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which

was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee to whom was referred the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 17th ult. reported a bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the culling of ſtaves and heading," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. A. Smith, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A communication from the Attorney-General to his Hon. the Speaker, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

SIR,

On Thurſday laſt, I was ſerved with a copy of the reſolution of the Hon. the Houſe of Aſſembly, of the preceding day, directing me to proceed in a proſecution, inſtituted in the name of the People of this State, relative to the forfeiture of certain lands claimed by Cornelius Van Schaack and five other perſons, ſituate in the county of Columbia. The writ which had been iſſued in the caſe, was noticed for execution on Friday laſt. Conſidering the principle contained in the order of the Houſe as involving conſequences of delicacy and magnitude, and ever accuſtomed to view, with great deference, all acts flowing from ſo reſpectable a ſource, I inſtantly adopted meaſures for the continuance of the proſecution, to the end, that my deciſion might be the effect of candid and deliberate reflection. After a full conſideration of the queſtion, I found myſelf compelled by a ſtrong ſenſe of duty, to direct the Sheriff of Columbia, to deſiſt from all further proceedings in the premiſes. It is with ſome diffidence, that I have thus been led to decline obedience to the order of the Houſe of Aſſembly; but ſurely, I ſhould be diſqualified to diſcharge the important duties of my office, could I ſacrifice my judgment and independence to what I conſider an inadvertent, but in its effect, an obvious invaſion of a power, *conſtitutionally* appertaining to the Executive department of Government. On a queſtion involving principles thus important to the community, a regard for my private and official character, and a juſt reſpect for the honorable body, whoſe commands I am conſtrained to reſiſt, unite in perſuading me to detail the reaſons of my preſent determination.

By the conſtitution of this State, the Legiſlative, the Executive and the Judiciary departments have each their aſſigned limits—The department *purely* legiſlative, can exerciſe no *executive* functions, except in caſes where its privileges may be infringed, and, except the nomination of the members of the Council of Appointment, may be ſo conſidered. If they aſſume the exerciſe of a right of this nature, the ſafety of the community demands a firm reſiſtance; otherwiſe the independence and impartiality of the Executive and Judiciary Departments might ſoon yield to the undefined powers and extenſive influence of the Legiſlature.—The requiſite energy and ſtability of Government will be made to depend on the precarious tenure of popular favor, rendered ſtill more capricious by the miſguided zeal of ſome, and the pretended patriotiſm of others. One innovation will lead to another—they will be reiterated, and the barriers of the conſtitution once overleaped, a Legiſlature, leſs enlightened than the preſent one, may, at the ſhrine of party prejudice and paſſion, ſacrifice private rights and public juſtice. It cannot eſcape obſervation, that the great ſecurity of the people, againſt the illegitimate exerciſe of power by the other departments of government, reſts in the conſtitutional right of impeachment, and in the redreſs afforded by the ordinary courſe of law; in either mode, the conduct and motives of a public officer in the execution of the laws, may be the ſubject of

legal enquiry. No ſuch ſecurity exiſts, againſt an arbitrary or aſſumed exerciſe power, by the Legiſlature—let the abuſe be ever ſo flagrant, or the injury ever great, with them reſts no individual reſponſibility—if they tranſcend the conſtitutional limits, and the executive and judiciary departments yield to the innovation the community and the injured citizen, alike, have no redreſs.—On ſuch occaſion therefore, the rights of individuals, the welfare of the State, and the inviolability the conſtitution and laws, equally demand a *reſpectful*, but *firm* reſiſtance, on t part of the other branches of government.

The reſolution tranſmitted to me, requires my obedience to the execution of la and directs my diſcretion in the performance of an official duty. It is the exerci of an executive function; when, by the conſtitution, to the ſupreme executi power *only* does it belong "*to take care, that the laws are faithfully executed.*" If t ſhould violate his important truſts, or the inferior officers of executive juſtice n glect their duty, "*in the repreſentatives of the people in the Aſſembly, is veſted the pow of impeachment;*" and to that conſtitutional power all officers of government a amenable. I do not mean to be underſtood, as ſuppoſing, that the Legiſlature a incompetent to preſcribe the manner of executing laws, but ſuch right can only b enjoyed in their *ſtrict* legiſlative capacity; the mode preſcribed muſt be enacted b law, and ſanctioned by *all* the forms of proceeding, ordained by the conſtitution.

It is not to be denied, that in ſeveral inſtances the Senate and Aſſembly have b concurrent reſolutions directed the inſtitution of criminal and civil proceedings and ſuch reſolutions have generally received a prompt and ready obedience; n though, as I preſume, becauſe of their obligatory force, but, as *indicative* of th ſenſe of the Legiſlature; which, in the exerciſe of official diſcretion, can ſcarce ever fail to poſſeſs a preponderating influence. It is alſo to be admitted, that i other inſtances, the ſenſe of the Legiſlature has, in the ſame manner, been manifeſt ed to the Supreme Executive Power, that his attention might be drawn to caſes o a peculiar nature, and which had ariſen in the courſe of their deliberations. A far as my reſearches can diſcover, ſuch reſolutions have always (except in a ſolitar inſtance) been concurrent. Two inſtances moſt analogous to the preſent one, ma be found in the journals of the Aſſembly, in the ſeſſion of 1792, pages 118, 12 and in the ſeſſion of 1798, page 237: other inſtances, in caſes of leſs analogy, bu yet corroborative of the general practice, will be ſeen in the journals of 1792—1 1796, page 37—of '98, pages 205, 304. The exception to which I have allude was the caſe of an enquiry directed in 1798, relative to the Gatehouſe patent in th county of Orange. A ſtatement of that caſe will evince, that it is not inconſiſten with the uniform practice of the Legiſlature. It appeared probable to the Aſſem bly, from certain documents accompanying a petition, that the title to a tract o land granted to Gatehouſe, was veſted in the people of this State, by eſcheat, or ha been forfeited by the attainder of David Matthews: with great propriety the A torney-General was directed *merely* to enquire into the title of the people of th State, but the Aſſembly *cautiouſly* leaves to his diſcretion the meaſures proper to b purſued, as the reſult of the enquiry might dictate—No proſecution is ordered, an the confidence in the public officer remains as complete as if the enquiry had no been directed. Here too, it may be remarked, that the reſolution could only hav been intended for his information, becauſe by exiſting laws, in either of the event ſuppoſed in the caſe, he was enjoined to inſtitute proceedings in behalf of the peo ple of the State. The principles and reaſoning now brought into view are by n means novel. They have, on an occaſion which had excited the ſenſibility of number of the inhabitants of the county of Saratoga, received the ſanction of th Legiſlature, manifeſted by an act paſſed 2d March, 1792, directing proceedings t be ſtayed, on an information, filed by the Attorney-General, againſt George Palme The Legiſlature, at that time, knowing the inefficacy *even* of concurrent reſolutions and that ſubmiſſion thereto could only depend on its correſpondence with the judg ment of the Attorney-General, thought proper to ſignify their will by a law, as th only ſure and legal mean of accompliſhing the intended object, and of exacting certain obedience.

If the general principles thus detailed, and which conſtitute the baſis of my pre- decision, are correct, ſurely they will apply with peculiar force againſt the *ex-* ſive right, now claimed by one branch of the Legiſlature—I ſay *excluſive*, becauſe admit a co-ordinate power in the other branch, might not only lead to infinite barraſſment to the public officer, but might produce a colliſion of authority, ally inconſiſtent in its injunctions, and *fatal* to the order and harmony of public ice. Thus, in the very caſe now preſented, the Senate have, by rejecting a for- reſolution of the Aſſembly, ſubſtantially diſſented to the propoſitions con- ned in the preſent one, and thereby *pointedly* have expreſſed their ſenſe on the bject. To which branch of the Legiſlature is my obedience *moſt* due? I am capable to decide the queſtion, and I can find no guide to direct my judgment. read the Conſtitution, and there find, "*that the Supreme Legiſlative power ſhall be veſted in two ſeparate and diſtinct bodies of men. The one to be called the Aſſembly of the State of New-York, the other to be called the Senate of the State of New-York, who,* TOGETHER, *ſhall form the Legiſlature.*" I trace every line of that inſtrument, ſo ſtly ſtiled the palladium of our liberties, and I no where diſcover an authority the enjoyment of this *excluſive* right—I obſerve no inequality of power to exiſt cept in the appointment of a Treaſurer) in theſe reſpective branches of the Le- ſlative body. And it is upon the baſis of their *equal* rights, and upon the exer- iſe of their powers *jointly*, that the hopes of the community are placed; without his *mutual* check, the ſenſe of order and of right would ſoon be diſregarded, and e government become the ſport of faction and violence.—To what end, or for hat purpoſe then, was the proſecution to be continued? If for the benefit of the ublic, I anſwer, the Legiſlature have heretofore preſcribed by law, a general re- ulation in caſes of the like nature; the act perhaps does not deſtroy my common w powers, but, as an evidence of the ſenſe of the Legiſlature on a general ſubject Legiſlation, undiminiſhed by any ſubſequent *Legiſlative* act, it is deſerving of reat, if not *concluſive* weight, in the diſcharge of my diſcretionary duties. If for he benefit of the petitioners, claiming in virtue of the act of 1791, the object of he reſolution muſt be unavailing, becauſe the ſupreme court of this State whoſe ciſion has been confirmed by the higheſt tribunal of law and juſtice, have other- iſe conſtrued the act. This deciſion is *now* the law of the land, and the public ficer and private citizen owe it equal and perfect reſpect—While I ſuppoſed the laim of the petitioners had the color of law in its favor, without judging of the otives or policy of the act of 1791, I could not, conſiſtent with the principles hich in the diſcharge of official duty, will ever direct my conduct, forbid them o uſe the name of the people, if found neceſſary to vindicate their legal rights; ut when it is decided that they have *no* legal rights to vindicate, the ſame motives mpel my interpoſition, and forbid me to permit *this* name to be employed for urpoſes not only uſeleſs, but perhaps vexatious. I therefore have aſſumed a re- ponſibility of declining to continue the proſecution, as directed by the reſolution f the Hon. the Houſe of Aſſembly.

I hope, Sir, the foregoing reaſons will be received with that candor, which has lways diſtinguiſhed the honorable body, wherein you preſide. I could not con- ceive it reſpectful, *tacitly*, to diſobey its orders, and therefore with freedom and ncerity, have I imparted, through you, the motives of my conduct; and I am erſuaded, the ſureſt and beſt recommendation to their approbation, muſt be a *perſeverance* in the diſcharge of my official duties, in the manner my judgment ſhall dictate to be conſiſtent with the conſtitution and laws of our country.

I have the honor, Sir, to ſubſcribe myſelf,

With great conſideration, your reſpectful humble ſervant,

JOS. OGDEN HOFFMAN.

The Hon. the Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly.

Albany, 10th March, 1800.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid communication be poſtponed.

Mr. Wattles, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, enti- led "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange

and Delaware," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, m amendments, added ſundry clauſes, altered the title to "An act to divide cer towns in the counties of Oneida, Orange, Delaware, Schoharie, Tioga and Ca ga," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; a he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition Joſeph Annin, ſheriff of the county of Cayuga, reported, That the facts ſtated the petitioner are true, and that in the opinion of the committee the prayer the ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch p poſe. Leave being given, Mr. Van Renſſelaer brought in the ſaid bill, entit "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga, to occupy a buildi near the bridge over the Cayuga lake, as, and for the gaol of ſaid county," wh was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitio praying the eſtabliſhment of a turnpike-road on the ſouth ſide of the Moha river, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true, That they are opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecreta was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I herewith lay before you a letter of the 10th inſt. from the Secretary of t State, which I recommend to your attention.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 11*th March*, 1800.

The letter mentioned in the ſaid meſſage was alſo read.

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, and letter a companying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Tinkham, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitl "An act to eſtabliſh the court of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peac and clerk's office, of the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego," reported, Th the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amen ment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in h place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read. Thereupo

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Hou

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Frey and M Gettman, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Sena have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act relative to religious ſocieties," and the bi entitled "An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and gener ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," and requeſting the concurren of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Frey an Mr. Gettman, was read, That the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſo lution of yeſterday, directing the Attorney-General to inſtitute ſuits to aſcerta whether certain lands in the county of Otſego are forfeited to the people of th State.

Mr. Williamſon, purſuant to notice heretofore given, moved for, and obtaine leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for opening a communication, by State-road, from the Hudſon's river, by the Oliout, to Lake Erie," which was rea the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time, an committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the furthe conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act t

divide the county of Clinton," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Gilliland, Mr. Sammons and Mr. Pettit.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of this day's date, and the letter accompanying the ſaid meſſage, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Henry, Mr. Comſtock and Mr. Woolſey.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to authorize John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus to erect a bridge acroſs the mouth of the Wappinger's creek, in the county of Dutcheſs," together with the report of the ſelect committee thereon, reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read through in the committee, the firſt enacting clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That the ſaid John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus, their heirs or aſſigns, are hereby authorized, at their own proper coſts and expence, to erect and build a bridge acroſs the mouth of the ſaid Wappinger's creek, to lead from or near the wharf of the ſaid John Drake, jun. on the ſouth eaſtern ſide of ſaid creek to a point of land oppoſite, known by the name of Sandy-point, at about one hundred and nineteen feet diſtance (the fee of the ſoil on both ſides being in the ſaid John Drake, jun.) Said bridge to be built of wood, ſufficiently ſtrong and ſafe; to be ſupported by piles, well driven into the bottom, of not leſs than feet in width, to be well covered with oak or pine plank; the lower ſtring pieces to be four feet above common high-water mark; the ſides of ſaid bridge to be ſecured by cloſe, ſubſtantial railing; to be conſtructed with a draw, or place to open, at leaſt twenty-four feet wide, commodiouſly to permit maſted veſſels to paſs and repaſs ſaid bridge; to be by them, the ſaid John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus, kept in good repair for the term of ten years, reckoning from the time it is finiſhed, and to be a free open highway, and uſed without toll or reward."

That the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree to the ſaid clauſe, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey. 47
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous. 45
Mr. Fort,			

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes," reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act providing for the election of the electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States."

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Thurſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes."

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 12th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act concerning certain debts and demands in the city of New-York, and to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the recovery of debts and demands to the value of ten pounds in the city of New-York," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building, near the bridge over the Cayuga lake, as, and for the gaol of ſaid county;" the bill, entitled "An act relative to religious ſocieties," and the bill, entitled "An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Adriance, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their determination, had yeſterday, on the firſt clauſe of the bill, entitled "An act authorizing John Drake, jun. and Samuel Bogardus to build a bridge acroſs the mouth of the Wappinger's creek, in the county of Dutcheſs."

Mr. Woolſey moved the previous queſtion on the ſaid motion, to wit, Shall the main queſtion be now put?

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion of Mr. Woolſey, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Bull, were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Renſſalear,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey,
Mr. E. Gilbert,			

For the Affirmative.

Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,
Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tinkham,
Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous. 47
Fort,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,	

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further ſideration of the bill, entitled "An act altering the terms of the courts of com- pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," and that ſame be committed to the members attending this Houſe from the county of mbia.

petition of ſundry perſons, inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, praying a prohibiting horſe-racing, was read, and referred to Mr. Roſeboom, Mr. J. h, Mr. Watrous, Mr. Savage and Mr. Taber.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further ſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeep- " and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. E- t, Mr. Adriance and Mr. Becker.

r. Cantine, from the committee appointed to conſider and report whether any, if any, what alterations are neceſſary in the "Act to regulate highways," re- ed, That an alteration is neceſſary, and that they have prepared a bill for that poſe, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate ways," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Gettman and Mr. Gold, the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have ed the bill, entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the na- ion of the Hudſon's river between the city of Albany and the village of Wa- rd," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments read. One of the amendments is to alter the title. The altered title is act making further proviſion for improving the navigation of the Hudſon's between the city of Albany and the village of Waterford." And the amend- having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the mended accordingly.

dered, That Mr. Sargent and Mr. Savage deliver the bill to the Hon. the Se- , and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments, and the ſame is amended accordingly.

r. Sammons, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Adam and others, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Lutheran and Reformed Proteſtant h church in Kingſbury, in the county of Montgomery," which was read the ime, and ordered a ſecond reading.

dered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further deration of the report of the ſelect committee to whom were referred ſundry ons relative to the place for holding the courts in the county of Onedia, and the ſame be committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, ed "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the y of Oneida."

dry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, and an affidavit of French, eſq. were ſeverally read, and committed to the committee of the Houſe when on the ſaid laſt mentioned bill.

Mr. A. Smith, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry acroſs the Hudſon's r between the counties of Weſtcheſter and Rockland," reported, That the comm had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, whic was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and vered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the H and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Herkimer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, ent "An act providing for the election of the electors of Preſident and Vice-Pre of the United States," reported, That after the bill had been read in the com tee, Mr. Shurtleff made a motion, that the ſaid bill ſhould be rejected. That bates were had on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereo was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Adriance, ſeconded by Mr. S mons, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſborn,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Koun,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Petrie,	Mr. Tober,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Semmons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Barnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sergent,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watſons.
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Monfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report i place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and ag to by the Houſe. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the ſaid bill be, and it is hereby rejected.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled " act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county, ported, That after the bill had been read in the committee, a motion was m that the ſame be rejected. That debates were had on the ſaid motion, and queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. De Witt, ſeconded by Mr. ton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Sherwood.
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſborn.	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sergent,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Haller,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Delcy,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogart,	Mr. Emots,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Evertson,	Mr. Quackenbush,	Mr. Tabor,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tead,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Townes,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Masters.	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolley. 32

That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A memorial from the Clerks of the Senate and Aſſembly, was read, and referred to Mr. Evertſon, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Bill.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Tueſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act appointing juſtices for the trial of ſmall cauſes."

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 13th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Savage and Mr. Schuneman deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry acroſs the Hudſon's river between the counties of Weſtcheſter and Rockland," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sargent and Mr. Savage deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Lutheran and Reformed Proteſtant Dutch church in Kigſborough, in the county of Montgomery," and the bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, relative to the mayor's court of the ſaid city, was read, and referred to the members from the city and county of Albany.

A petition of Simeon De Witt, Surveyor-General of this State, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Wood obtained the unanimous conſent of the Houſe to bring in a bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read a ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Silas Wickes and Bethel Mather, relative to certain timber which was part of the former bridge at Schagticoke point, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Renſſelaer.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Suffrage, in the county of Otſego, praying that the name of the ſaid town may be altered to Milford, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Otſego.

Ordered, That Mr. Becker have leave of abſence for one week.

Mr. Oothout, from the committee to whom was referred ſo much of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to infectious diſeaſes within this State, reported a bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Gray, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Joſeph Fiſh, reported in favor of the petitioner, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſeph Fiſh," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Adriance, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Theophilus Anthony, reported, That it appears that the ſaid Theophilus Anthony was one of the original aſſociates in the purchaſe made by Ebenezur Jeſſup and others, of a tract of land commonly called Totten and Croſsfield's or Jeſſup's purchaſe.

That the ſaid Theohilus Anthony, before the commencement of the late war, paid his proportion of the expences attending the ſaid purchaſe, and of the ſurvey made thereof, and upon a diviſion of the ſaid tract of land he drew the northernmoſt half of lot number twenty-two in the ſame purchaſe.

That on the 16th of Auguſt, 1785, the ſaid Theophilus exhibited his claim for the land ſo drawn by him to the commiſſioners of the land-office, who then determined that the ſaid Theophilus Anthony had an equitable claim thereto, and directed a warrant to the Surveyor-General to ſurvey the ſame for the ſaid Theophilus.

That it appears further that the ſaid Theophilus, by accident and misfortune, was delayed in making an application for a patent until it became too late; and that he, on the 22d of January, 1796, preſented a petition to the Legiſlature for relief; but that no report was ever made thereon, and the papers accompanying the petition being left with the committee, the ſaid Theophilus has not, till lately, been able to recover them.

Upon a view of all the circumſtances, the committee are of opinion that the ſaid Theophilus Anthony has an equitable claim to the northernmoſt half of townſhip No. 22, in Jeſſup's purchaſe, containing 12,000 acres; and as the ſame ſtill remains vacant, that he ought to have a patent therefor, on ſuch terms as may be deemed proper, and they have accordingly drawn an act for that purpoſe, which they beg leave to bring in.

Leave being given, Mr. Adriance brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act authorizing a grant of land to Theophilus Anthony," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A communication, addreſſed to his Hon. the Speaker, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

SIR,

Agreeable to a reſolution of the Society for the Promotion of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures, I have the honor of tranſmitting to you, for the acceptance of the Hon. the Houſe of Aſſembly, the firſt four parts of the Tranſactions of the Society bound up in one volume.

BENJAMIN DE WITT, Sec'ry.

Albany, 13th March, 1800.

Mr. Burnet, purſuant to leave given, by concurrent reſolutions of both Houſes, at the laſt ſeſſion, brought in a bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-meadow, known by the name of the Bevear-dam, in the town of New Windſor, in the county of Orange," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added a clauſe, and altered the title. The altered title is "An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the counties of Columbia and Schoharie," which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Emott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Gilbert ingſton and others, reported, That there are 44 petitioners in favour of the npike road mentioned in ſaid petition, and 764 againſt it. The committee are erefore of opinion that, under exiſting circumſtances, it would be inexpedient to nt the prayer of the petitioners.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Emott, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freehold- and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie," reported, That the committee d gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he s directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and de- ered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the ouſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Sharpe, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inha- tants of King's county, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true; d that in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioners ought to be anted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave ing given, Mr. Sharpe brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to regulate the d-fiſhery in King's county," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond ading.

Mr. Wood made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the ords following, to wit.

Reſolved, That no queſtion determined to be out of order, either by diviſion or herwiſe, ſhall ever be entered on the minutes.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it ſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Savage, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, re as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

r. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
r. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
r. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
r. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
r. Bull,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,
r. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
r. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,
r. Cantine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
r. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
r. Colvin,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
r. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
r. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous.
r. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles. 54
r. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,		

For the Affirmative.

r. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
r. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
r. Butler,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
r. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
r. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
r. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williams,
r. Doty,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
r. Evertſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr, Winne,
r. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
r. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 42
r. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,		

Mr. Comſtock made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, which s read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, to wit.

Reſolved, That it ſhall be a ſtanding reſolution of this Houſe, that in all caſes ere a bill, order, reſolution or motion ſhall be entered on the Journals of this

Houſe, the name of the member moving the ſame ſhall alſo be inſerted on Journal.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. H field, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John M. Maſon and others," to which t requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a comm tee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham and Hatfield, with the bill, amendments, and a copy of the reſolution therein m tioned, was read, that the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeve counties of Orange, Oneida and Delaware," and do concur in their other amen ments. The ſaid amendment was read and conſidered. Thereupon

Reſolved, That this Houſe do recede from their amendment to the ſaid bill concurred in by the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That Mr. Savage and Mr. Schuneman deliver the bill, amendmen and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Hon. the Senate returned, by Mr. Graham and Mr. Hatfield, the bill, en tled "An act to alter the time for the election of charter officers in the city of Ne York; to lengthen the terms of the court of common pleas; to give addition powers to the ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the peace in the city and county New-York; to reduce ſeveral laws relating to the ſaid city and county into o act, and for other purpoſes."

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham and M Hatfield, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed t bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend an act, entitled "An act more effe tually to regulate the port of New-York," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Schermerhorn deliver the two laſt me tioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act to explain and amend the laws for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," re ported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

A report of the Superintendant of the Salt ſprings, was read, and is in the wor following, to wit.

To the Repreſentatives of the People of the State of New-York, in Senate and Aſſem convened,

The Superintendant of the Onondaga Salt-works, purſuant to law, reſpectfull reports:

That, in the courſe of the laſt year, ſeveral of the manufacturing works laid i active a conſiderable part of the ſeaſon, on account of the particular circumſtanc of ſome of the leſſees and manufacturers carrying on ſalt works; on which accou the manufactory of ſalt hath not been as productive as might be expected, if the were carried on with more ſpirit and induſtry.

The following ſtatements will ſhew the Honorable Legiſlature the proceeds the manufactory of ſalt, on the ſalt-reſervation, in the county of Onondaga, be longing to the People of the State of New-York.

Statement No. 1, ſpecifies the names of the leſſees and manufacturers who carr on the works. The number of kettles being 248, and their capacity 18,250 *gal lons*, ſet in furnaces, and fit for boiling ſalt, on the *firſt day of January*, 1800. The quantity of ſalt made, and weighed from the *firſt day of February*, 1799 (th date of the amounts reported the laſt year) to the *firſt day of May* laſt, bein 10,842 42-56 buſhels of ſalt.—The quantity of ſalt inſpected from the *firſt day* *May*, 1799, to the *firſt day of January*, 1800, agreeable to the law paſſed the 29 of March laſt, being 31,911 24-56 buſhels of ſalt.—The total quantity of ſalt in ſpected from the different works, in the different quarters of the year, bein 42,754 10-56 buſhels. Of which quantity of ſalt there were depoſited in the Stat

ſtores, and for which 165 certificates were iſſued, between the *firſt day of May*, 1799 and the *firſt day of January*, 1800, 3,817 47-56 buſhels of ſalt.—And of the certificate depoſits of ſalt in the State ſalt ſtores, ten certificates returned from the firſt day of May, 1799 to the firſt day of January, 1800, and the ſalt drawn out of the ſtores 150 17-56 buſhels.

The quantity of ſalt received and depoſited in the ſtores, on or before the *firſt day of October*, 1799, agreeable to an act paſſed the 29*th of March*, 1799, for the balance of rent due previous to the firſt day of May laſt, including the ſalt delivered to the Onondaga Indians as their allowance for the year 1799, being 3,646 46-56 *buſhels of ſalt*.

Out of which depoſit of ſalt, the Superintendant has ſold, at a diſcount of *ten cents* per buſhel, of the inſpected value, branded agreeable to law, of the 1ſt and 2d quality ſalt, 135 45-56 buſhels. The Superintendant might have ſold more, by giving a reaſonable credit, on good ſecurity; but not being authorized by law, could not ſell any but for the caſh, paid on receiving the ſalt.

The Statement No. 2, ſhews that from the quantity of ſalt inſpected between the *firſt day of May*, 1799 and the *firſt day of January*, 1800, at 4 cents per buſhel, would be 1276 *dollars*, 45 *cents and* 4 *mills*. But, as ſeveral of the leſſees and manufacturers, who carry on ſalt works, and pay rent by the capacity of the kettles, had ſalt inſpected, and did not pay the 4 *cents* per buſhel on inſpection of their ſalt, which amounts to 181 *dollars*, 50 *cents and* 6 *mills*, and deducted from the amount of their ſalt inſpected; and which balance is credited to the accounts of rent due the different quarters of the year on the leaſes, &c. as per ſtatement No. 3, being 1094 *dollars*, 50 *cents and* 6 *mills*. There is to be deducted the ſum of 144 *dollars*, 87 *cents and* 3 *mills*, being the inſpection duties of 4 *cents* per buſhel, on 3646 46-56 buſhels of ſalt, received in the ſtores for rent. And 152 *dollars*, 71 *cents and* 4 *mills*, being the inſpection duties of 4 *cents* per buſhel for 3817 47-56 *buſhels of ſalt*, for which certificates were iſſued, and the ſalt depoſited in the State ſtores until the rent and ſtorage are paid. On the return of the certificates, there remains a balance of 796 *dollars*, 91 *cents and* 9 *mills*, and to be added to the ſaid ſum 7 *dollars*, 51 *cents and* 5 *mills*, being the 5 *cents* per buſhel, rent and ſtorage, for the ſalt drawn out of the ſtores, by the return of the certificates iſſued, and alſo 82 *dollars*, 20 *cents and* 7 *mills*, being the proceeds of the ſale of 135 45-56 buſhels of State ſalt, of the 1ſt and 2d quality, and caſks included; which being added makes 886 *dollars*, 64 *cents and* 1 *mill*, which the Superintendant hath to account for.

Statement No. 3, ſhews, in the columns of Dr. the amount of rent due from the firſt day of February to the firſt day of May, 1799, including the balance of rent due on ſettlement, from each leſſee and manufacturer, the firſt day of February, 1799, and reported the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature. The other column ſhews the amount of rent in each quarter of the year, and the total amount of rent, agreeable to the covenants of their leaſes, &c. being 6512 *dollars*, 54 *cents and* 7 *mills*, up to the firſt day of January, 1800. In the firſt column of credit is the balance of the duties on inſpection of ſalt, (as per Statement No. 2,)—the 2d column the amount of ſalt received for the rents due previous to the *firſt day of May*, 1799, in which is included the ſalt delivered the Onondaga Indians, agreeable to an order of Government; the amount being 2460 *dollars*, 62 *cents and* 4 *mills*—and the 3d column the amount received by the Superintendant, from the leſſees and manufacturers, on account of rent, being 215 *dollars and* 99 *cents*—and the 4th column the balances due, from each leſſee and manufacturer of ſalt, to the People of the State of New-York, the firſt day of January, 1800, being 2737 *dollars*, 71 *cents and* 5 *mills*. From which ſtatement the Honorable Legiſlature will ſee, that the State property, at the ſalt works, may be made productive of a conſiderable revenue to the State in time.

The operation of the law relative to the Salt ſprings, paſſed the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, hath enabled the Superintendant to collect more of the rents, in *eight months* (from the firſt of May to the firſt of January laſt) than had been col-

lected for nearly two years before; by which the leſſees, that carried on their works with induſtry, paid their rents imperceptibly, and the purchaſers received, at the works, ſalt of a better quality, by the mode of inſpection. The Superintendant feels conſcious he hath made uſe of every exertion in his power to diſpatch the buſineſs of inſpection, although ſome deſigning perſons made attempts to render the law unpopular. The Superintendant hath found it neceſſary, in many inſtances, for the conveniency of the purchaſers of ſalt, for their own and neighbor's conſumption, to permit them to carry larger quantities of ſalt in bags, and tight barrels rather leſs than the ſize contemplated in the law, away by ſleighing. And where the manufacturers and purchaſers could not wait until the ſalt was properly drained of the pickle; in thoſe caſes, I directed the Inſpector to make ſuch reaſonable deduction on the weight of the ſalt, as would be equal to the draining of the pickle.

There is an inconveniency attending, in not having the barrels of ſalt properly trimmed, and the hoops nailed, as in the neceſſary handling of the caſks the hoops are liable to drop off, and render the barrels inſecure for the preſervation of the ſalt. The Superintendant hath, in order to preſerve the barrels as much as poſſible, from being injured by heading and unheading, bored a hole in the head of the caſks to examine the quality of the ſalt through.

The Superintendant hath not ſurveyed the ſwamp in the vicinity of the village of Salina, as he conceived it would be unneceſſary to put the State to the expence, as there was no application for leaſes on the condition preſcribed by law, and as the paſture lots laid out for the benefit of the leſſees, of which there were only two lots fenced and occupied, and as the preſent leaſes being ſo near expiring, and uncertain what new arrangements might take place, tho't it moſt prudent to poſtpone the ſurvey.

The Superintendant, agreeable to law, hath ſold *eight* of the village lots of Salina, as deſignated, at public auction. The amount of the ſale is *five hundred and ninety-ſix dollars*, and paid at the time of ſale *ten dollars* for each lot, being *eighty dollars*, which ſum was paid into the Treaſury of the State.

The contingent expences that have accrued, ſince the laſt report to the Legiſlature, for brands, books of blank certificates, and other ſtationary, articles neceſſary for carrying the law relative to the ſalt works into execution—tranſporting them from Albany to the ſalt ſprings—to laborers for removing and ſtowing the ſalt in the ſtores—for advertiſing the ſale of the village lots of Salina agreeable to law—monies expended in proſecution of ſundry perſons for ſmuggling ſalt contrary to law, &c. amount to 156 *dollars*, 31 *cents and* 5 *mills*.

The public wharf extending from Salt-ſtreet to Baſon-harbor, being in length 34 *rods*, and acroſs the ſtore lot at the N. W. end of the ſalt ſtore, and acroſs the houſe-lot on the other ſide of Salt-ſtreet, ſo as to communicate from the ſalt works to the State ſtore, being 3 *chains and* 15 *links* in length, which is done. It was found neceſſary to have an ell at the lower end of the wharf at Baſon harbor, ſo that teams could turn about, and room for loading the boats, with convenience when the water is low—which ell contains 12 *ſquare rods*, and was contracted for building it in July laſt, but the perſon being taking ſick did not compleat it the laſt ſeaſon, but will finiſh it as ſoon as the ſpring freſhets ſubſide, in the ſpring—which expence amounts to 479 *dollars and* 64 *cents*.

The expence of building the binns and fixing the lower part of the ſalt ſtore for the reception of ſalt in bulk, agreeable to law, being 141 *dollars*, 10 *cents and* 5 *mills*. The ſum directed by law will make the public dwelling-houſe comfortable to live in, and the ſum directed to be laid out in repairing the block houſe ſtore, has been expended as was contemplated. The Superintendant hath not been able to get a boat built on account of the difficulty of getting a workman, but will attend to it as ſoon as circumſtances will admit.

The Superintendant would obſerve that there hath been practiſed, by unprincipled perſons, the ſtarting out of the inſpected barrels of ſalt part of the ſalt, and putting the ſalt into other barrels not branded, and mixing the ſalt of the 1ſt and 2d quality together, and putting the ſalt in ſome inſtances into the branded barrels,

nd paſſing it for the firſt quality—this was practiſed laſt ſummer by Boating, af-
r they got out of the limits of the ſalt reſervation, which the Superintendant is
nfined to in the ſeizure of contraband ſalt, which deſtroys the effect of the in-
ection, and impoſes on the purchaſers to the diſcredit of the important manufac-
ry of ſalt. As it is for the intereſt of the public, to endeavour as far as poſſible,
prevent fraudulent practiſes, would ſuggeſt to the Hon. Legiſlature the proprie-
of ſome amendments in the exiſting law relative to the ſalt works. That if any
erſon or perſons ſhall be detected in ſtarting any inſpected ſalt out of the barrels
anded, except in ſelling by retail, or for family conſumption; and that if any
erſon ſhould ſtart the inſpected ſalt out of the barrels, and mix the 1ſt and 2d
uality together, the ſalt ſo found ſhall be ſeized for the uſe of the People of this
tate, on being thereof duly convicted, ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of
ollars for each buſhel ſo ſtarted or mixed.

That the Superintendant is required and directed to ſeize all ſalt that may be
arried away, contrary to law, beyond the limits of the ſalt reſervation (to which
e is limited to by a former law) or his aſſiſtants, for the uſe of the People of this
tate.

That if any leſſee or leſſees or manufacturers of ſalt, on the ſalt reſervation be-
nging to this State, ſhall either directly or indirectly, ſuffer, or permit, or carry
way any ſalt from the ſalt reſervation, before it is inſpected agreeable to law, ſhall
ffer the fines and forfeitures preſcribed by law, and forfeit his leaſe, and the
ivileges of making ſalt on ſaid ſalt reſervation.

That the rents due, on the leaſed or occupied premiſes, for manufacturing ſalt
n the ſalt reſervation belonging to the People of the State of New-York, ſhall al-
ays be a *lien* on the works and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and the aſ-
gnees or purchaſers, either at private or public ſale, by auction or otherwiſe, ſhall
ay the then debt due for the rent of the premiſes to the State, agreeable to the
nditions of the leaſe, or agreement of occupancy of the premiſes, &c.

Note. From the often ſhifting of the property among the leſſees and manufac-
rers who carry on works, and from the embarraſſment of many of them, that un-
ſs the Legiſlature make a clauſe of this kind, the State will always be liable to
ſe conſiderable of their rent.

That the outlet of Baſon-harbour into the lake may be conſidered as a public
ghway, and the overſeer of the highways in that diſtrict of roads, be and is here-
y directed to work in clearing out the old logs and other obſtructions in ſaid out-
t, ſo that the navigation of boats ſhall not be impeded when the water is low, &c.

The importance of the manufactory of ſalt to the inhabitants of the weſtern part
f this State, and the adjacent territories, which have their ſupply of ſalt from thoſe
orks, requires the patronage of the State. And, as many of the leſſees and ma-
ufacturers who carry on ſalt works, are embarraſſed in fulfilling their contracts,
ing to the ſcarcity of money and other misfortunes, the Superintendant would
ggeſt the propriety of receiving the balance due the State, for the rent of the pre-
ſes they occupy on the ſalt reſervation, and due the firſt day of January, 1800,
ſalt; and the Superintendant be directed to receive ſaid balance due to the State
ſalt, delivered at the State ſtores at Salina, at cents per buſhel the firſt
uality, and the 2d quality in proportion, and the coſts of the barrels not exceed-
g one dollar per piece—which barrels ſhall be fully trimmed with hoops, and
uled before they are received into the ſtore, on or before the day of
and the Superintendant be directed to ſell the ſalt ſo received, and what
may have in ſtore belonging to the ſtate, on a reaſonable credit, for caſh, he
ing good and ſufficient ſecurity for the ſame in notes of hand on intereſt at ſix
cent. until paid; by which means it would eaſe the manufacturers in the de-
nds of the State, in many inſtances, and the property ſhifted into more ſecure
nds, and being on intereſt would neat the State an income, in proportion to any
er loaned property of the State, and a great relief to many of the preſent leſ-
s and manufacturers.

The leſſees and manufacturers who carry on ſalt works at a diſtance detache from the principal ſituation of the manufactory at Salina, find it difficult, in ſom ſeaſons of the year, to convey their ſalt to the places of inſpection, (it was ſu poſed the advantage of having the wood convenient to their works was more tha a balance in proportion to the diſtance that the manufacturers at Salina have get their wood, where the principal works are, and the State ſtores,) it has bee ſuggeſted by ſome of the leſſees that, in order to be accomodated, that they a willing to pay, extra. two cents on a buſhel, and that the Superintendant to a point an additional inſpector, to attend occaſionally, at certain days in the wee at each of thoſe detached works, or at their election to carry their ſalt for inſpe tion to the place already deſignated by law, unleſs there ſhould hereafter be publ ſtores erected there. In order to have the buſineſs of inſpection of the ſalt di patched at the places deſignated by law, and the receiving and delivery of ſalt the public ſalt ſtores, conſtantly employs the attention of two men, and ſometim three, which abſorbs a very conſiderable proportion of the Superintendant's ſal ry, and the other parts of the buſineſs engroſſes the whole of his attention in kee ing it regular, and preventing impoſitions and evaſions of the law—therefore t Superintendant would be unable, at his expence, to hire an additional inſpector ſalt to accomodate thoſe detached works, conſequently muſt be at their own e pence, and the State would be at the expence of an additional ſet of tools for th inſpection of ſalt.

The Superintendant would obſerve, that as a condition in the ſale of the villag lots of Salina, which he was authoriſed to ſell, were required by law that buildin to a certain value, within one year from the day of ſale, ſhould be erected on ea lot ſold—the time being ſhort; purchaſers under the particular circumſtances of t place will not, in many inſtances, be able to have the buildings compleated by t expiration of the time limited—therefore would ſuggeſt the propriety of prolon ing the time one year more, as the place bears the character of a ſickly ſituatio and it is difficult to get mechanics to go to work at that place in the moſt profit ble ſeaſon of the year for buſineſs.

The Superintendant would obſerve to the Hon. Legiſlature, that on the 20 day of June next enſuing, the term of all the leaſes granted in behalf of this Sta on the ſalt reſervation, in the county of Onondaga, belonging to the People the State of New-York, expires on ſaid day. And from the importance of the m nufactory of ſalt to the weſtern part of this State, and the territories in the vicinit which depend on thoſe manufactories for their ſupply of ſalt, which requires th the Legiſlature ſhould in their wiſdom take the ſubject of the new arrangement the ſalt manufactory into their ſerious conſideration; and adopt ſuch regulations ſhould encourage men of enterpriſe and property to be concerned in ſo eſſent a branch of manufactory to the public, on liberal principles, and attention by i provements to render the ſituation more healthy to the human conſtitution improving the ſwamps in the vicinity, and converting them into meadows, whi the manufactory ſtands much in need of; and rendering the air more ſalubriou &c. and to check every ſpecies of impoſition and evaſion of the law, by whi means the manufactory of ſalt will be placed on a reſpectable footing, and the pu chaſers of ſalt ſafe in their purchaſe—that the State to be ſecured in the fulfilme of the conditions and covenants of the leaſes which they in future may grant. From the different ſtatements the Superintendant has, purſuant to law, laid bef the Hon. Legiſlature, will be ſhewn the particular ſituation and production of t manufactory of ſalt from year to year ſince the commencement of the leaſes, and t rents agreeable to the covenants and conditions of the leaſes.

Theſe propoſed amendments and obſervations the Superintendant of the ſ works reſpectfully ſubmits to the wiſdom and conſideration of the Honorable L giſlature.

WILLIAM STEVENS,
Superintendant of Salt-works.

Superintendant's Office, Salina, March 1ſt, 1800.

A general Statement of the number of Kettles ſet in Furnaces, and their Capacities in Ga
State of New-York: And the number of Buſhels of Salt, the produce of each of the ſaid W
January, 1800.

Leſſees Names, and Manufacturers who Carry on Salt-Works.	No. of Salt Lots.	Dates. From the	Dates. To the	Kettl No. Kettles.	A of of
Samuel Cook,	1	1ſt Feb. '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	12	
Philip Riley,	2	do.	do.	8	
Benjamin Morris,	2	do.	1ſt Nov. '99		
Jared Walling,	2	do.	1ſt Jan. 1800	8	
John Pheatt,	2	1ſt Feb. '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	6	
Proſper Polly,	canal ſtrt.	do.	do.	4	
Aſa Danforth & Co.	3, 4, 8	do.	10th Dec. '99		
William Gillchreſs, ſenior,	5, 6	do.	1ſt Jan. 1800	18	
Thomas Orman,	7, 10, 13	do.	do.	8	
Iſaac Van Vleek,	9	do.	do.	6	
John Hooper,	11	do.	do.	8	
John Blair & Co.	12	do.	do.	5	
Nathaniel Smith,	14	do.	do.	6	
Amos Fuller & John White,	15	do.	do.	6	
Thomas Kerbright,	15	1ſt May, '99	1ſt Nov. '99		
Stephen Burton & S. Brunſon,	15	1ſt Nov. '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	4	
Peter P. Tygert,	13	do.	do.	6	
Ebenezer Hill & Nathan Niles,	16	1ſt Feb. '99	do.	6	
Elijah Phillips & Elias Stilwell,	7	1ſt Nov. '99	do.	7	
Samuel Gillchreſs & Samuel Heyden, & others,	20	1ſt Feb. '92	1ſt May '99		
Nathaniel Coehran & H. Haſkin,	20	1ſt May '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	8	
Lewis Van Slyke,	21	1ſt Feb. '99	do.	4	
Caleb Hopkinſon,	22	do.	1ſt Aug. '99		
Iſrael Samſon and J. Smith,	3	1ſt May '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	8	
William Mitchel,	22	1ſt Aug. '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	7	
Thomas Pool & Rufus Danforth,	24	1ſt Feb. '99	do.	4	
John Danforth,	25	do.	do.	4	
James Armſtrong,	26	20 June '99	do.	4	
David Gilſon,	27	1ſt Feb. '99	do.	4	
Patrick Riley,	28	do.	do.	4	
Charles Jones & Eliakim Bradley,	29	20 May '99	do.	4	
William Connor,	30	1ſt Feb. '99	do.	4	
John Laird & Joſeph Gordon,	31	20 June '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	3	
Ephraim Webſter & Co.		1ſt Feb. '99	do.	8	
Nehemiah Earl & Co.		do.	1ſt Nov. '99		
Benjamin Hopkins & Leonard Bacon,		1ſt Nov. '99	1ſt Jan. 1800	8	
Jonathan & William Dean & Co.	3	11 Dec. '99	do.	36	1
Daniel Keeler,	4	do.	do.	14	1
Calvin Jackſon,	4	do.	do.	6	1
Heman Janes,	4	do.	do.	4	1
Peter Sharp,	23	do.	do.		
Diocleſian Alvord,	8	do.	do.	6	1
Not branded, & manufacturers names unknown,					
		Total.		1 248	1 1

NOTE. In the column of the capacity, thoſe marked thus x are not meaſured, but eſtimated as they rent by the buſhel.

NOTE. There is on hand in the works occupied on ſalt lot No. 3, by eſtimation about 1452 buſhels of ſalt, which could not be barrelled and inſpected for want of barrels; but will be accounted for as ſoon as barrels can be had, as per account rendered by *William Dean*, on oath.

t of January, 1800, in each Works on the Salt Reservation, belonging to the People of the
n the returns and Inspection accounts, from the 1st day of February, 1799, to the 1st day of

Quantity of Salt made and Inspected agreeable to the existing Law.					Total quantity of salt made agreeable to the returns, & inspection from 1st Feb. 1799 to January, 1800.	*Remarks.*
From the 1st day of Feb. to the 1st day of May following.	From the 1st day of May, to the 1st day of Aug. Inspected Salt.	From the 1st day of Aug. to the 1st day of Nov. Inspected Salt.	From the 1st day of Nov. to the 1st day of Jan. 1800, inspected salt.	Total amount of salt inspected from the 1st May to the 1st of Jan. 1800.		
Buths. lb.	Buths. lb.	Buths. lb.	Buths. lb.	Buths. lb.	Buths. lb.	
652 16	326 32	774 18	926 21	2027 15	2679 31	Lessee.
583 12	177 18	241 42	414 13	833 17	1416 29	do.
498 2	570 14	327 23	115 7	1012 44	1510 46	do.
202 47	41 15	65 26	250 3	356 44	559 35	Assignee.
492 28	552 41	675 2	455 44	1683 31	2176 3	Lessee.
453 28	103 35	245 1	239 43	597 23	1050 51	Manufacturer.
1938 2	700 3	1152 47	86 48	1939 42	3877 44	Lessees.
787 15	1299 36	454 52	829 10	2583 42	3371 1	do.
2118 42	1109 13	1493 3	667 10	3269 26	5388 12	do.
894 0	381 26	338 47	162 39	883 0	1777 0	do.
333 16	1135 24	1019 33	465 5	2620 6	2953 22	Assignee.
427 0	266 37	538 14	275 0	1079 51	1506 51	do.
291 42	675 47	252 47	294 4	1222 42	1514 28	Lessee.
262 1	339 3	80 2	120 12	539 17	801 18	do.
	101 11	423 27		524 38	524 38	Assignee.
			117 15	117 15	117 15	do.
						do.
249 32	834 40	186 17	290 20	1310 21	1559 53	Lessees.
			106 5	106 5	106 5	Assignees.
24 0					24 0	do.
	157 29	108 35	117 0	383 8	383 8	do.
96 27	218 39	332 47	385 29	937 3	1013 30	Lessee.
106 29	234 0			234 0	340 29	Assignee.
188 42	92 13	311 52	270 29	574 38	863 34	do.
		14 19	215 46	230 9	230 9	do.
37 45	125 44	574 2	179 26	879 16	917 15	do.
63 40	54 44	350 16	148 15	553 19	617 3	Lessee.
		216 15	58 15	274 30	274 30	do.
26 35	88 54	27 19		116 17	142 52	do.
76 20	583 5	674 52	206 55	1465 0	1541 20	do.
26 36	5 3		130 47	135 50	162 30	do.
		15 23	180 55	196 22	196 22	do.
			140 35	140 35	140 35	do.
11 45	88 19	119 39	267 12	475 14	487 13	Manufacturer.
	166 16	248 27		416 43	416 43	do.
			573 17	573 17	573 17	Assignees.
			48 1	48 1	48 1	Tenant.
			737 1	737 1	737 1	do.
			60 27	60 27	60 27	do.
			63 15	63 15	63 15	do.
			17 12	17 12	17 12	do.
			201 4	201 4	201 4	do.
	121 11	55 18	222 31	399 4	399 4	
10,842 42	10,553 0	11,318 37	10,039 43	31,911 24	42,754 10	

No.

A general Statement of the proceeds arising from the Inſpection of Salt at 4 Cents per Buſhel, ſpecif
received, and credited at 4 Cents per Buſhel, including the certificate Salt, depoſited in the State Sal
received the 1ſt of October, 1799, agreeable to law (ſtorage excepted) from the 1ſt day of May, 179
Superintendant, in behalf of the People of the State of New-York.

Leſſees Names, and Manufacturers who Carry on Salt-Works.	No. of Salt Lots.	Leſſees and Manufacturers			
		Sums not paid and deducted from the Inſpection account, Auguſt 1ſt, 1799.	Sums not paid and deducted from the inſpection account, the 1ſt day of Nov. 1799.	Sums not paid and deducted from the Inſpection account, the 1 day of Jan. 1800.	Total ed fr ſpecti from of Ma 1 day
		Dols. C. M.	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dol*
Samuel Cook,	1			3 36 5	
Philip Riley,	2		1 57 1		
Benjamin Morris,	2			07 2	
Jared Walling,	2		1 67 2	2 74	
John Pheatt,	2	1 04 5	10 69 2	3 11 9	1
Proſper Polly,	canal ſtrt.				
Aſa Danforth & Co.	3, 4, 8				
William Gillcheſs, ſenior,	5, 6	12 31	12 46 6	1 84 4	
Thomas Orman,	7, 10, 13	7 00	52 24 1	19 39 1	
Iſaac Van Vleck,	9				
John Hooper,	11	4 17 9	6 90 6	9 30	
John Blair & others,	12	76 4			
Nathaniel Smith,	14	18	3 67 8	3 74 4	
Amos Fuller & John White,	15	21 8	1 81 5		
Stephen Burton & Samuel Brunſon,	15			1 42	
Elijah Phillips & Elias Stillwell,	7				
Ebenezer Hill & Nathan Miles,	16	5 70	42	2 06	
Samuel Heyden, Nathaniel Cochran & Henry Haſkins,	20				
Lewis Van Slyck,	21		42 2		
Caleb Hopkinſon,	22				
William Mitchel,	22				
Iſrael Samſon & John Smith,	23		95 2	3 03	
Peter Sharp,	23			28 6	
Thomas Pool & Rufus Danforth,	24	18 5	20 1		
John Danforth,	25	34	2 54	1 60	
James Armſtrong,	26				
David Gilſon,	27				
Patrick Riley,	28			2 42	
Charles Jones & Eliakim Bradley,	29				
William Conner,	30				
John Laird & Joſeph Gordon,	31				
Nehemiah Earls & Co.					
Benjamin Hopkins & Leonard Bacon,					
Ephraim Webſter & Co.					
Jonathan & William Dean, & others,	3				
Daniel Keeler,	4				
Calvin Jackſon,	4				
Heman Janes,	4				
Thomas Kerbright,	15				
Diocleſian Alvord,	8				
Salt not branded, and manufacturers names unknown,					
Total.		1 31 92	1 1 95 57 6	1 54 45	1 1

he Sums not paid by the Leſſees and Manufacturers, on having their Salt Inſpected. The Sums res, and the Rent Salt received for the arrears of Rent, due previous to the 1ſt day of May, 1799, he 1ſt day of January, 1800, agreeable to the Leſſees' and Manufacturers' account current with the

duct- In- unt, day o the 1800.	Contra			Cr.	Total amount of the proceeds of inſpection of ſalt at four cents per buſhel, from the 1ſt day of May, 1799, to the 1ſt day of Jan. 1800.	*Remarks.*
	By balance of proceeds of the inſpection of ſalt and credited to the account of rent, the 1ſt of Auguſt, 1799.	By balance of proceeeds of the inſpection of ſalt and credited to the account of rent, the 1ſt of Nov. 1799.	By balance of proceeds of the inſpection of ſalt and credited to the account of rent. the 1ſt of Jan. 1800.	Amount of the balance of the proceeds of inſpection of ſalt credited to the Leſſees, &c. and to be accounted for by the Superintendant.		
M.	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*	
3	13 06 3	30 97 3	33 69 0	77 72 6	81 09 1	Leſſee.
1	7 09 1	8 09 9	16 56 9	31 75 9	33 33	do.
2	22 81	13 09 6	4 53 3	40 43 9	40 51 1	do.
2	1 65 1	94 7	7 26 2	9 86	14 27 2	Aſſignee.
6	21 06 5	16 30 9	15 11 2	52 48 6	67 34 2	Leſſee.
	4 14 5	9 80	9 59 1	23 53 6	23 53 6	Manufacturer.
	28 00 2	46 11 4	3 47 4	77 59	77 59	Leſſees.
	39 67 6	5 73 1	31 32 3	76 73	103 35	do.
2	37 36 9	7 48 1	7 29 6	52 14 6	130 77 8	do.
	15 25 9	13 55 4	6 50 8	35 32 1	35 32 1	do.
5	41 23 8	33 87 8	9 30 4	84 42	104 80 5	Aſſignee.
4	9 90 2	21 53	11 00	42 43 2	43 19 6	do.
2	26 85 4	6 46 6	8 01 9	41 30 9	48 91 1	Leſſee.
3	13 34 4	1 38 6	4 80 9	19 53 9	21 57 2	do.
			3 27 1	3 27 1	4 69 1	Aſſignees.
			4 24 4	4 24 4	4 24 4	do.
	27 68 9	7 03 2	9 55 4	44 27 5	52 45 5	Leſſees.
	6 30 1	4 34 5	4 68	15 32 6	15 32 6	Aſſignees.
2	8 74 8	12 89 2	15 42 1	37 06 1	37 48 3	Leſſee.
	9 36			9 36	9 36	Aſſignee.
		57 3	8 63 3	9 20 6	9 20 6	do.
2	3 68 9	11 52 5	7 73 1	22 94 5	26 98 7	do.
8			40 3	40 3	68 9	Tenant.
6	4 84 6	22 76	7 17 9	34 78 5	35 17 1	Aſſignee.
	1 85 1	11 47 1	4 33 1	17 65 3	22 13 3	Leſſee.
		8 65 1	2 33 1	10 98 2	10 98 2	do.
	3 55 9	1 09 4		4 65 3	4 65 3	do.
	23 32 4	26 99 7	5 85 9	56 18	58 60	do.
	20 2		5 23 4	5 43 6	5 43 6	do.
		61 6	7 23 9	7 85 5	7 85 5	do.
			5 62 5	5 62 5	5 62 5	do.
	6 73 1			6 73 1	6 73 1	Occupies Works.
		9 93 7	22 93 2	32 86 9	32 86 9	Aſſignees.
	3 53 4	4 78 8	10 68 9	19 01 1	19 01 1	Occupies Works.
			1 92	1 92	1 92	Tenants.
			29 48	29 48	29 48	do.
			2 41 9	2 41 9	2 41 9	do.
			2 53 1	2 33 1	2 53 1	do.
	4 04 8	16 93 9		20 98 7	20 98 7	Aſſignee.
			8 04 3	8 04 3	8 04 3	Tenant.
	4 84 8	2 21 3	8 90 2	15 96 3	15 96 3	
8	1 390 19 9	1 357 16 7	1 347 14	1 1094 50 6	1 1276 45 4	1

A general Statement of the Rents due on each Leased Premises, including the balance reported ary, 1800, and the amount of Rent in each quarter of the year. The sums credited by th October, 1799, for the Rent due previous to the 1st of May, 1799, agreeable to the Lessees of New-York.

Lessees Names, and Manufacturers who Carry on Salt-Works.	No. of Salt Lots.	Lessees and Manufacturers Amount of the rent due from the 1st of Feb. to the 1st of May. 1799, including the balance reported.	Amount of rent due from the 1st of May, to the 1st day of April, 1799.	Amount of rent due from the 1st of August to the 1st day of Nov. 1799.
		Dols. C. M.	*Dols. C. M.*	*Dols. C. M.*
Samuel Cook,	1	101 72	85 90	68 52
Philip Riley,	2	189 01	37 32	37 32
Benjamin Morris,	2	45 66 2	17 28	20 25
Jared Walling,	2		17 04	17 04
John Pheatt,	2	56 88	27 38	26 58
Prosper Polly,	canal strt.	53 37	4 14 5	9 80
Asa Danforth & Co.	3, 4, 8	1076 48 5	28 00 2	46 11 4
William Gillchess, senior,	5, 6	473 79	95 28	82 68
Thomas Orman,	7, 10, 13	528 02 5	94 14	94 14
Isaac Van Vleck,	9	106 99	15 25 9	13 55 4
John Hooper,	11	25 02	25 02	25 02
John Blair & Co.	12	33 06	24 54	24 54
Nathaniel Smith,	14	48 90	26 22	26 22
Amos Fuller & John White,	15	62 36	26 82	26 82
Thomas Kerbright,	15		9 67 2	22 32
Stephen Burton & Samuel Brunson,	15			
Peter P. Tygert,	13			
Ebenezer Hill & Nathan Miles,	16	56 40	26 94	37 33
Elijah Philips & Elias Stillwell,	7			
Samuel Gillchress & Samuel Heyden,	20	32 25		
Nathaniel Cochran & Henry Haskins,	20		12 88	
Lewis Van Slyck,	21	61 40	28 08	
Caleb Hopkinson,	22	73 40 5	38 58	
Israel Samsom & John Smith,	23		28 20	28 20
William Mitchel,	22			20 40
Thomas Pool & Rufus Danforth,	24	28 70	21 00	21 00
John Danforth,	25	153 53	14 58	18 24
James Amstrong,	26		8 53 3	20 40
David Gilson,	27	77 36	25 80	23 08
Patrick Riley,	28		20 40	20 40
Charles Jones & Eliakim Bradley,	29	41 49	21 49	27 24
William Conner,	30	9 90	9 90	19 80
John Laird & Joseph Gordon,	31		6 14 6	14 64
Ephraim Webster & Co.		19 73	37 92	37 92
Nehemiah Earls & Co.			14 28	
Simeon Gibbs, Benjamin Hopkins & Leonard Bacon,				37 80
Jonathan & William Dean, & others,	3			
Daniel Keeler,	4			
Calvin Jackson,	4			
Heman Janes,	4			
Diocletian Alvord,	8			
Benjamin Morris & John Pheatt,	2	232 96		
Andrew Phares,	22	73 88 5		
George Corey,	23	144 80		
Simon Phares,	11	197 42		
James Armstrong & Patrick Riley,	28	72 10		
Samuel Price,	21			20 40
Salt not branded, & manufacturers names unknown,				
	1 Total.	1 4076 60 2	1 848 74 7	1 88[illegible] 76 8

Dols. C. M.

Note- † 4 03 0 is to be added to Jared Walling's Credit, and the same is charged in Benjamin M
‡ 6 31 5 is do. John Pheatt's, do. do. John Hooper
§ 1 78 0 is do. William Conner's, do. do. Patrick Rile
‖ 7 54 9 is do. Nehemiah Earl's, do. do. John Hooper

19 67 4 This is to be added with the aggregate of the Cr.

Note. ¶ Samuel Price being an Assignee of Lewis Van Slick, lot No. 21—24 dollars, 88 cents and
12 dollars, 17 cents and 3 mills, credited to Van Slick.
* Deduct from the total column of Rent 15 dollars, 96 cents and 3 mills, gives 651a dollars

last Session of the Legislature; and that from the 1st of February, 1799. to the 1st of Janu-roceeds of the inspection, and the amount of Salt delivered in the State Salt-Stores, the 1st of d Manufacturers' account current with the Superintendant, in behalf of the People of the State

	Dr.	Contra		Cr.	Total balance due from each Lessee & Manufacturer to the State, the 1st day of January, 1800.	Remarks.
ount of rent from the 1st of Novem- to the 1st of January, o.	Total amount of rent due from the 1st day of Feb. 1799, to the 1st day of January, 1800.	By amount of the balance of the proceeds of Inspection of Salt and credited to the rent, as per table No. 2.	By amount received on the account of the State of New York, including the Indian Salt in 1799.	By amount received on the account of the Superintendant from the Lessees, &c.		
Dols. C. M.	Dols. C. M.	Dols. C. M.	Dols. C. M.	Dols. C. M.	Dols. C. M.	
68 52	324 66	77 72 6	104 23		143 70 4	Lessee.
23 88	287 53	31 75 9			255 77 1	do.
	83 19 2	40 43 9	16 50		26 25 3	do.
22 32	56 40	9 86 0†			42 51	Assignee.
26 58	137 42	52 48 6‡	16 36		62 25 9	Lessee.
9 59 1	76 90 6	23 53 6	53 37			Manufacturer.
3 47 4	1154 07 5	77 59	630 09 5		437 39	Lessees.
70 32	722 07	76 73	47 48		597 86	do.
28 76	745 06 5	52 14 6	461 59 5	88 28	143 04 4	do.
6 50 8	142 31 1	35 32 1	40 99	66 00		do.
38 54 4	113 60 4	84 42	25 02		4 16 4	Assignee.
12 24	94 38	42 43 2	12 97 2	19 08 8	19 88 8	do.
17 48	118 82	41 30 9	46 85 3	75	29 90 8	Lessee.
17 88	133 88	19 53 9		4 74 5	109 59 6	do.
	31 99 2	20 98 7			11 00 5	Assignee.
14 88	14 88	3 27 1			11 60 9	do.
13 60	13 60				13 60	do.
28 32	148 99	44 27 5	56 40		48 31 5	Lessees.
19 20	19 20	4 24 4			14 95 6	Assignees.
	32 25				32 25	do.
11 60	23 88	15 32 6			8 55 4	do.
2 90	92 38	12 17 3	43 23		36 97 7¶	Lessee.
	111 98 5	9 36	73 40		29 22 5	Assignee.
24 88	81 28	23 34 8		20 97 3	36 95 9	do.
13 60	34 00	9 20 6			24 79 4	do.
14 00	84 70	34 78 5	28 70	16 15 4	5 06 1	do.
12 16	198 51	17 65 3			180 85 7	Lessee.
13 60	42 53 3	10 98 2			31 55 1	do.
12 40	138 64	4 65 3			133 98 7	do.
15 38	56 18	56 18				do.
13 60	103 82	5 43 6	41 49		56 89 4	do.
13 20	52 80	7 85 5§	11 25		31 91 5	do.
22 14	42 92 6	5 62 5			37 30 1	do.
25 28	120 85	19 01 1	20 52 4		81 31 5	Not received a Lease.
	14 28	6 73 1‖				Assigned his Works.
25 20	63 00	32 86 9			30 13 1	Not received a Lease.
1 92	1 92	1 92				Tenants.
29 48	29 48	29 48				do.
2 41 9	2 41 9	2 41 9				do.
2 53 1	2 53 1	2 53 1				do.
8 04 3	8 04 3	8 04 3				do.
	232 96		232 96			Lessees.
	73 88 5		73 88 5			Assigned his Works.
	144 80		144 80.			do.
	197 42		197 42			do.
	72 10		72 10			Assignees.
13 60	34 00	24 88 8			9 11 2¶	Lessees.
	15 96 3*	15 96 3				*Is added in the column of rent, in order to balance the Cr. column.
99 43	1 6528 51	1 1094 50 7	1 2460 62 4	1 215 99	1 2737 7‡ 5	Credit of drawbacks to be added dols. 19 67 4.

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} Being drawbacks on the Inspection of Salt in some of the quarters of the year.

in Lewis Van Slick, Cr. of Inspection in Statement No. 2, is to be credited to him, and the remaining

nts and 7 mills the amount of Rent.

Ordered, That 160 copies of the ſaid report be forthwith printed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, expunged from the title the words "*otherwiſe than for life*," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the bill with the amendments in at the table, where they were again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, accompanying the draft of a bill which they pray may be paſſed into a law, reported, That in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petition ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in the ſaid bill. Leave being given, Mr. Shurtleff brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act concerning the mayor's court of the city of Albany," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the acts therein mentioned," and that the ſame be committed to the ſelect committee, who reported the ſaid bill, of which Mr. VanRenſſelaer is chairman.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 14th, 1800.

The minutes of yeſterday having been read, Mr. Shurtleff made a motion in the words following, viz.

I move that ſo much of the minutes of yeſterday, as reſpects the motion made by Mr. Thomas, for a reconſideration of the queſtion on rejecting the bill providing for the election of electors of Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States of America, be expunged, the ſame having been declared out of order.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and Mr. Speaker having put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Van Benthuyſen, were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey. 51
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous, 46
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,		

So much of the minutes of yeſterday, as reſpected the ſaid motion of Mr. Thomas, were accordingly expunged. Mr. Speaker then put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to their minutes, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Denton, were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherrod,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey. 34
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Watrous. 44

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to alter the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the bill with the amendments to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the bill with the amendments to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this House have passed the bill with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Fish;" the bill, entitled "An act granting lands to Theophilus Anthony;" the bill, entitled "An act making provision for draining a certain swamp or bog-meadow, known by the name of the Beveardam, in the town of New Windsor, in the county of Orange," and the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the shad-fishery in King's county," were severally read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, relative to the Hamilton Oneida Academy, were read and referred to the committee to whom was referred so much of his Excellency the Governor's speech as relates to literary institutions and common schools.

A petition of sundry inhabitants, relative to a road between Albany and Schenectady, was read, and referred to the committee of which Mr. Winne is chairman, to whom similar petitions have been referred.

A petition of Christopher P. Fox, relative to a lot of ground purchased of the late commissioners of forfeitures for the western district of this State, was read, and referred to the Surveyor-General.

A petition of the supervisors of the county of Schoharie, praying a law to raise a further sum of money by tax to compleat the court-house and gaol in said county, was read, and referred to Mr. Deitz, Mr. Lamb and Mr. Bruyn.

Mr. Riggs, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the benefit of the widow and orphan children of Peter R. Kissam, deceased," which was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Evertson, from the committee to whom was referred so much of the speech of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the institutions for the education of youth and to common schools, reported a bill, entitled "An act to provide for the education of youth," which was read the first time, and by unanimous consent was also read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the committee of claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Gabriel Furman, and that the same be referred to the Comptroller.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from any further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for opening and improving a great road from the Oliout, in the county of Delaware, to lake Erie," and that the same be committed to a select committee, consisting of Mr. Williamson, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Tibbits.

Mr. Livingston, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Ten Eyck, reported, That the petitioner states that while a student in Yale college, being a youth warmed with the ardor of liberty, and anxious to defend the cause of his country, he was in the year 1777, appointed adjutant to the regiment commanded by Charles Webb, that he thereupon left his studies, and entered into the service of his country. That in the year 1778 he was appointed captain in the said regiment, wherein he served as such till October, 1782, when he was transferred to one of the 16 additional regiments, commanded by col. Samuel B. Webb, in which regiment he served as captain during the whole of the war. That while in the said service, at the taking of Stoney-point, and commanding a company of light-infantry, he lost his hearing, and during the said action received a blow on his arm, which has in a manner rendered it useless. That he was born in Schenectady, in the county of Albany, at which place his parents lived until their death, and that he always considered himself a citizen of the State of New-York, although he served a part of the war in a regiment belonging to another State. The committee find, upon investigation, that the facts as stated are true; and it further appears from a certificate of Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, esq. one of the commission-

ers of forfeitures for the weſtern diſtrict of this State, that the ſaid commiſſioners received from the petitioner final ſettlement certificates which appeared to have been iſſued to him for his ſervices as an officer in the army of the United States. The petitioner further ſtates that he conceived himſelf entitled to the like bounty in lands for his ſervices as has been granted by this State to the officers and ſoldiers in the line of this State in the army of the United States. The committee find no law which will entitle the petitioner to any compenſation, but as he was a meritorious officer, and in a very important action loſt his hearing and uſe of an arm, as he has uniformly ſince his birth been a citizen of this State, and ſerved during a part of the war in the line of this State. The committee preſume that juſtice would mark him out as an exception to the general rule, they cannot believe that any evil will reſult from a precedent predicated on ſuch peculiar pretenſions.

They are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and that he have leave to bring in a bill.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on granting leave to bring in a bill, and it paſſed in the negative.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, the bill, entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation between the city of Albany and the village of Waterford."

Ordered, That Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Schermerhorn, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to authorize the ſuperviſors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were ſeverally concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham & Mr. Haight, with the bills therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act concerning debts and demands in the city of New-York, and to amend an act, entitled "An act for the recovery of debts and demands to the value of ten ponnds in the city of New-York," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Schuneman and Mr. Schermerhorn, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have amended the bill, entitled "An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange and Delaware," purſuant to the amendments of this Houſe, concurred in by the Hon. the Senate.

The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Sharpe and Mr. Sherred, return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; and the amendments having been read a ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Sherred and Sherwood, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act concerning the mayor's court of the city of Albany," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Bill, Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Winne.

Mr. Butler from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions for eſtabliſhing a road from Cherry Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for laying out a road from Cherry Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Savage, in behalf of Mr. Roſeboom, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions, praying that a law may be paſſed to prevent horſe-racing, reported, that the facts ſtated by the petitioners are true, and that in the opinion of the committee, the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe; leave being given, Mr. Savage brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for preventing horſe-racing," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

The Attorney General, to whom was referred the petition of William Gamble, reported, That the petitioner alledges, that he is the proprietor of 2000 acres of land, ſituate in the ſtate of Vermont, heretofore granted to Thomas Gamble, by letters patent iſſuing under the authority of the government of the late province of New-York; that the ſaid tract of land was ceded by this State to the ſtate of Vermont. The petitioner prays for compenſation out of the monies paid into the treaſury of this State by the ſtate of Vermont, or that relief may in ſome other way be granted to him.

The amount ſtipulated to be paid by the ſtate of Vermont, was 30,000 dollars, and the ſame has been already appropriated, purſuant to the act, entitled "An act concerning the money paid into the treaſury of this State by the ſtate of Vermont," paſſed 6th April, 1795. The petitioner has neglected or refuſed to exhibit his claim within the time by the ſaid act limited, and is thereby "*precluded from all compenſation whatever.*"

The Attorney-General, is therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Albany, March 13th, 1800.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Attorney-General in his ſaid report.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Hitchcock, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Sarah Scudder, without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Sherred and Mr. Sherwood, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Shurtleff from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Bill, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act concerning the mayor's court of the city of Albany," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Riggs, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John M. Maſon and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. J. Smith and Mr. N. Smith deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Mr. Gilliland, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Clinton," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp or bog-meadow, known by the name of the Beaverdam, in the town of New-Windſor, in the county of Orange," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of the members from the county of Orange.

Three ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Kent and Mr. L'Hommedieu, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſhua Quereau and Elias Quereau;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs, and cutting the timber on certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned, paſſed the 24th April, 1784. and for other purpoſes," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act for the partition of lands," ſeverally without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Kent and Mr. L'Hommedieu, the bill entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge."

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Skidmore deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Thurman. from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace, and clerk's office in the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Everſon, Mr. Johnſon and Mr. Wood.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts on the route to Hartford," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Columbia.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 15th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Clinton," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act concerning the mayor's court of the city of Albany," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Snell and Mr. Steenback deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act for laying out a public road from Cherry Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake;" the bill, entitled "An act for the benefit of

the widow and orphan children of Peter R. Kiſſam, deceaſed," and the bill, entitled "An act to prevent horſe-racing," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the counties of Eſſex and Clinton, relative to the improvement of roads in the northern part of this State, was read, and referred to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Tibbits.

A petition of the truſtees of Hamilton Oneida academy, praying legiſlative aid to augment their funds, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred that part of the ſpeech of his Excellency the Governor, which relates to the inſtitutions for the education of youth, and common ſchools.

A petition of Elijah Cady, of the county of Columbia, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Columbia.

A petition of the inhabitants and owners of lots in the village of Salina, relative to the great Geneſee road, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the State road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario.

Mr. Bogert, purſuant to notice heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to aſcertain the ſize of apple and cider barrels within this State," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff made a motion in the words following, to wit:

I move a reconſideration of the deciſion of this Houſe, had yeſterday, on the queſtion for granting leave to bring in a bill for the relief of Henry Ten Eyck, which then paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Burnet, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp or bog-meadow, known by the name of the Beaverdam, in the town of New-Windſor, in the county of Orange," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of William Porter, reported, That in addition to the facts contained in the petition and the documents which accompany it, the committee find by the returns made from col. James Livingſton's regiment, that the petitioner enliſted the firſt of January, 1777, to ſerve during the war, and was muſtered and probably diſcharged in January, 1781, and is not by law entitled to the gratuity of lands promiſed by the act of March, 27, 1783. It is the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Ebenezer Parks, reported, That it appears from the documents which they have examined, that William Henderſon, the ſoldier mentioned in the ſaid petition, enliſted in the firſt New-York regiment, and was diſcharged ſeveral months previous to the act of 27th March 1783. That the ſaid William Henderſon was diſabled by an accident which happened to him during the time of his ſervice, and in conſequence thereof received a penſion from this State, which was paid until the time of his death; and that he has aſſigned his right and title to his claim for lands to the ſaid petitioner. It is the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Maſters, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Silas Wickes and Bethel Mather, reported, That in the year 1796, a number of the inhabitants of the towns of Eaſton, Cambridge and Schaghticoke ſubſcribed ſums of

money to build the eaſt part of a bridge over Hooſick river, at Schaghticoke point, in the county of Renſſelaer. And that Joſeph Kline undertook building the ſame, and received the ſubſcription papers to collect the monies due thereon. And that at the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature an act paſſed, granting to John Knickerbacker, jun. with the petitioner and others, a right to build a bridge acroſs the ſaid river, at the place aforeſaid, and a right to erect a gate and receive toll. Whereupon the ſaid John Knickerbacker, jun. and others, built the other two-thirds of the ſaid bridge, and erected a gate, and receive toll, and alledge that the act ceded to their uſe the eaſtern third part built by ſubſcription. Joſeph Kline alledges that he has expended a large ſum of money more than he has received, whereby he and other ſubſcribers have a right to the eaſtern third part. The committee think proper to ſtate that £.35 was advanced by the county of Renſſelaer towards compleating the firſt third part of the bridge aforeſaid. Inaſmuch as difficulties and diſputes have ariſen about the conſtruction of the act granting and ceding the firſt part of the bridge, the committee are of opinion the prayer of the petition ought to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Mathews and Mr. J. Morris, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have concurred in the amendments of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act to alter the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Columbia," and have amended the bill accordingly. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Steenback and Mr. Stevens return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

Five ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Mathews and Mr. J. Morris, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Steward;" the bill, entitled "An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland;" the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for veſting a certain tract of land in truſtees for the benefit of Peter Otſequette;" the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Portious and Alexander Ellice," and the bill, entitled "An act for dividing the town of Marlborough, in the county of Ulſter," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

By unanimous conſent the bill, entitled "An act for dividing the town of Marlborough, in the county of Ulſter," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. De Witt, Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Bruyn.

Mr. Peck, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the inhabitants of the town of Suffrage, in the county of Otſego, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a clauſe to be added to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Mr. Everſon, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Clerks of the Senate and Aſſembly, reported, That upon examination they find the matters in the ſaid petition contained are true. And the committee are of opinion that the per diem allowance to the petitioners, for the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, was inadequate to compenſate the petitioners for their ſervices, which the ſaid committee find to be very laborious. The committee are therefore of opinion that an allowance ought to be made the ſaid petitioners for their extra ſervices of the laſt ſeſſion, and that the per diem allowance for this ſeſſion ought to be augmented ſo as to amount to a reaſonable compenſation for the execution of all the duties appertaining to the ſaid offices.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill,

entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the acts therein mentioned," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts on the route to Hartford," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. De Witt, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for dividing the town of Marlborough in the county of Ulſter," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Steenback and Mr. Stevens deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Mr. Henry, from the committee, to whom were referred ſundry petitions on the ſubject of a turnpike road between the cities of New-York and Albany, reported, that the eſtabliſhment of a turnpike road between the cities of New-York and Albany, would be of great public utility. The committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioners to be incorporated for this purpoſe, ought to be granted, and that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill accordingly. Leave being given, Mr. Henry brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from King's bridge at the city of New-York to the ferry oppoſite to the city of Albany, through the village of Poughkeepſie and the city of Hudſon;" which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building near the bridge over the Cayuga lake as and for the gaol of ſaid county," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Norton and Mr. Halſey.

Mr. Thomas, in behalf of Mr. King, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of congreſs, reſpecting balances reported againſt certain ſtates by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between United States and the ſeveral ſtates," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A petition of the debtors confined in the gaol of the city of New-York, praying to be relieved from impriſonment, was read, and referred to Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Sherwood and Mr. Watrous.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and

others," and that the ſame be committed to Mr. A. Smith, Mr. Comb and Mr. Taber.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſen, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Poſt and Mr. Ryerſs.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council that the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany to raiſe a ſum by tax for defraying the expence of lighting the lamps and for the ſupport of a night watch in the ſaid city;" the bill entitled "An act to explain and amend an act, entitled "An act more effectually to regulate the port of New-York," and the bill entitled "An act making further proviſion for improving the navigation of the Hudſon river between the city of Albany and the village of Waterford," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 17th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp and bog-meadow, known by the name of the Beaverdam, in the town of New-Windſor, in the county of Orange," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts, on the route to Hartford," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the act therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of Congreſs reſpecting balances reported againſt certain States, by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral States," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Bull, ſeconded by Mr. Burt, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	

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For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck, 48

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Stevens and Mr. Stillwell deliver the five laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Steward;" the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Portious and Alexander Ellice;" the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for veſting a certain tract of land in truſtees for the benefit of Peter Otſequette," and the bill, entitled "An act to aſcertain the ſize of apple and cider barrels within this State," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of the members from the counties of Orange and Rockland.

A depoſition of Benjamin Wright, of Rome, in the county of Oneida, ſtating that he hath explored and ſurveyed the northern and weſtern parts of the county of Oneida, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida."

A petition of William Woodruff and 25 others, inhabitants of the town of Union, in the county of Tioga, ſtating that they reſide on lands which are by law exempted from State taxes till the year 1802, and that they have nevertheleſs been included by the aſſeſſors of ſaid town, under the act. "for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," praying relief in the premiſes, was read, and referred to the Comptroller to report thereon.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the town of Halfmoon, in the county of Saratoga, praying a diviſion of the ſaid town, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Saratoga.

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Ontario, relative to ſales of real eſtates by execution, were read, and referred to Mr. Norton, Mr. Van Renſſelaer and Mr. Bogert.

A petition of John Enderſon and others, of Claverack, in the county of Columbia, praying compenſation for having furniſhed ſoldiers to ſerve in the late army of the United States, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

A petition of James S. Maſters, and a petition of William Goodwin and Caleb Atwater, relative to the title to a lot of land in the military tract in the county of Onondaga, were read, and referred to the committee appointed on the part of this Houſe to confer with a committee on the part of the Senate relative to the diſpoſition of the lots of land in the military tract, in the county of Cayuga, reported by the Onondaga commiſſioners to have reverted to this State.

A petition of W. Crawford and J. Weed, with ſundry depoſitions, were read, and referred to the Attorney-General.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

Having received from the Hon. the Chief Juſtice and the Speaker, a letter, in which doubts are intimated relative to the conſtruction of the act paſſed this ſeſſion for reviving and continuing the former one reſpecting the Treaſurer, I think it proper to lay it before you.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 17th March, 1800.

The letter which accompanied his Excellency's meſſage was alſo read.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid meſſage and letter be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. J. Morris and Mr. Meyers, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That Lewis Cornwall and ninety-nine other petitioners for a corporation for making a turnpike road between Brooklyn and Jamaica, have leave to preſent to the Legiſlature, at the next ſeſſion, a bill conſtituting ſuch corporation, providing however in the ſaid bill, excluſive of the ſaid turnpike road, for as convenient and direct a road between the ſaid places as the preſent. Provided that they cauſe a copy of this reſolution and the ſaid bill to be publiſhed in the newſpaper printed at Brooklyn, and in one of the newſpapers of the city of New-York, for ſix weeks ſucceſſively, to the end, that any perſon or perſons oppoſed to ſuch bill may ſhew cauſe againſt the paſſing of the ſame.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Strong and Mr. Taber deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Two ſeveral meſſages of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. J. Morris and Mr. Meyers, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," and the bill, entitled "An act to compel ſubmiſſion to the judicial authority of this State and for other purpoſes," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe, reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. J. Morris and Mr. Meyers, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh," without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. J. Morris and Mr. Meyers, the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſuperviſors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned."

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Skidmore deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

The Surveyor-General, to whom was referred the petition of Chriſtopher W. Fox, reported, That purſuant to the laws of this State the commiſſioners of forfeitures have ſold to George G. Klock two hundred and ſixteen acres of land, part of a tract granted by letters patent to Lewis Morris, Francis Harriſon and others, on the north ſide of the Mohawk river. In the deſcription given in the deed the tract ſold as aforeſaid is made, by an error of the Surveyor, to begin at and bound on the north-weſt bounds of lot No. ſix of ſaid patent, which would cauſe it to fall within lot number ſeven. Whereas the true intent of the deed, as appears by the body of the deſcription, as well as other evidences, was that the tract ſo ſold ſhould begin at and bound on the north-weſt bounds of lot number ſeven, and conſequence fall within lot number eight of the tract granted by letters patent as aforeſaid. Excepting the miſtake of the word *ſix* for *ſeven*, the deſcription in the deed is ſuppoſed to be right.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SIMEON DE WITT, Surveyor-General.

Albany, 17th February, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Snell, Mr. Steenack and Mr. Bull.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Suſquehannah river," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Livingſton and Mr. Wattles.

Mr. Comſtock made a motion, in the words following, viz.

I move that this Houſe do agree to an order, with a recital, in the words following, to wit.

Whereas notice is given by a member in his place, that he will to-morrow make a motion for the Houſe to reconſider the important queſtion for paſſing the bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of Congreſs reſpecting balances reported by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral States." Therefore,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill remain in this Houſe till to-morrow.

Debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Doty, ſeconded by Mr. Schermerhorn, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Wattles.
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 50
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſebroom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren. 48

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the committee to whom was referred ſundry petitions relative to a road from the line of Maſſachuſetts to the poſt-road from Albany to New-York, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Alford, in the commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, to interſect the poſt-road from Albany to New-York near the houſe of Nathan Deyeo, in the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Meyers and Mr. Phelps, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the

freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Skidmore deliver the bill to the Hon. t Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Everſon, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entit "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow of John Hanſon, deceaſed," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blank, a agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read t report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again re Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree with the committee their report, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Bull, ſeconded by Mr. Sargent, a were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sheep,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mills,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pork,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rigg,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. E. Gilbert,			

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was referred the bill, ent tled "An act for opening a communication, by a State-road, from the Hudſon river by the Oliout to lake Erie," reported, That it appears to them that the intere of thoſe perſons who have claims on the proceeds of the 3d lottery granted by law paſſed 28th March, 1797, would be affected by the clauſe in the bill ſubmitt to the committee, which repeals ſuch part of the law as reſpects the 3d lotter And as the whole bill is framed on the effect of this repealing clauſe, the commi tee are of opinion that the accompliſhment of the very deſirable object in the b ſubmitted to them, viz. That of raiſing a ſufficient ſum of money to enable co miſſioners appointed by the State to open, by a State-road, a communication fro the Oliout to lake Erie, might be obtained by enacting a law "*further to amend t act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain great roads, paſſed 28th Mar* 1727," to enlarge the 3d lottery ſo as to obtain the ſum neceſſary for the objec view; and at the ſame time ſo as not only to provide for all the appropriatio made by the law of the 28th March, 1797, for ſaid lottery, but alſo for three oth appropriations which have been repreſented to your committee, as neceſſary for th convenience of the public. With theſe impreſſions, the committee have prepare an act as a ſubſtitute to the bill ſubmitted to them, which they requeſt leave to pr ſent to the Houſe.

Leave being given, Mr. Williamſon brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An a further to amend the act, entitled "An act for improving certain great roads wit in this State," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was al read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "A act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and i ſpection of beef and pork for exportation," reported progreſs, and obtained lea to ſit again.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Wedneſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida."

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 18th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Alford, in the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, to interſect the poſt-road from Albany to New-York, near the houſe of Nathan Deyo, in the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia;" the bill, entitled "An act to compel ſubmiſſion to the judicial authority of this State, and for other purpoſes," and the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of the inhabitants of the city of New-York, praying amendments to the exiſting law reſpecting quarantine, was read, and referred to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes."

A petition of Joſiah Davis and others, of the county of Columbia, praying that the ſaid county may not be annexed to the eaſtern diſtrict, was read.

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed.

Two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Columbia, relative to a further diviſion of the great diſtricts of this State, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act to ſubdivide the four great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts for the election of Senators."

A petition of Philip Stedman, of the Niagara carrying-place, in the county of Ontario, praying a grant of vacant lands, was read, and referred to the Surveyor-General.

A petition of the preſident and directors of the New-York inſurance company, praying alterations in their act of incorporation, was read, and referred to Mr. Strong, Mr. Bogert and Mr. Sherred.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Steward," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. M'Cord, Mr. Bull and Mr. Peck.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and his aſſociates," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Gray, Mr. Poſt and Mr. Johnſon.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act relative to religious ſocieties," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Conine, Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Ten Broeck.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for veſting a certain tract of land in truſtees for the benefit of Peter Otſequette," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Floyd, Mr. Oſtrom and Mr. Herkimer.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Garnſey and Mr. Ryerſs.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Pratt and Mr. Henry.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General and for other purpoſes," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Savage and Mr. King.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate buildings within certain limits of the city of Albany," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Bill and Mr. Winne.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Stilwell, Mr. Steenback and Mr. Oothout.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 17th inſt. and the letter which accompanied the ſaid meſſage, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Henry, Mr. Evertſon and Mr. Riggs.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Phelps and Mr. Ruſſel, with the bills therein mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Boyd, Peter Coruth and others," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. A. Smith, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Burt, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Garnſey, from the committee to whom were referred ſundry petitions from debtors confined in priſon, reported, That the committee have taken into full conſideration the ſituation of debtors confined in priſon, and alſo the rights of creditors relative to them, and are uniformly of opinion that relief ought to be granted to the petitioners, and have prepared a bill for that purpoſe, and aſk leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. Garnſey brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Gray, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Conine, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act relative to religious ſocieties," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was di-

rected to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Portious and Alexander Ellice," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment; which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and the consideration thereof postponed till to-morrow.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Pattingall, reported, That the petitioner appears to have been confined upwards of two years in the gaol of the county of Montgomery, on a judgment obtained against him by the late major Elijah Bent, deceased, of the same county. That no person having ventured to administer on the estate of Mr. Bent, the petitioner is deprived of the benefit of the act of insolvency, placing him in a situation peculiarly hard. From a certificate, signed by a number of respectable people living in Johnstown, it appears that he has sustained the character of an honest man. The committee therefore viewing the petitioner as not in a situation to avail himself of the benefit of the laws of his country made for the relief of insolvent debtors, are of opinion that Legislative aid ought to be granted, either by a law general in its operation, or for his relief particularly.

Ordered, That the said report and petition be committed to the committee of the whole House when on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in prison."

Mr. Wood, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed.

Mr. M'Cord, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Steward," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Floyd, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for vesting a certain tract of land in trustees for the benefit of Peter Otsequette," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Williamson, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to establish a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Salisbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Susquehannah river," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the said bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That 160 copies of the said bill be forthwith printed.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the Sheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building, near the bridge over the Cayuga lake, as and for the gaol of said county," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same

without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe: and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Johnſon made a motion that the Houſe ſhould reconſider their deciſion had yeſterday, diſagreeing with the ſelect committee in their report on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow of John Hanſon, deceaſed." Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Stillwell, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Oſtrom, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act appointing juſtices for the trial of ſmall cauſes," reported, That after the bill had been read in the committee, Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to reject the ſame. That debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Doty, ſeconded by Mr. Schermerhorn, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolſey.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Watrous.
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,		

Mr. Oſtrom reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table where it was again read.

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed till to-morrow.

Mr. Pratt, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Elijah Cady, reported, That the facts ſtated in the petition are true, and that in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for that purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Pratt brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 19th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building, near the bridge, over the Cayuga lake, as and for the gaol of ſaid county," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Teed and Mr. Ten Broeck deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Steward," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for veſting a certain tract of land in truſtees for the benefit of Peter Otſequette," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act relative to religious ſocieties," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and his aſſociates," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Taber and Mr. Teed deliver the five laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the ſaid bills ſeverally without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Boyd, Peter Coruth and others;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," and the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Sundry petitions from the town of Cazenovia, in the county of Chenango, praying a diviſion of ſaid town, and a copy of a reſolution of ſundry inhabitants convened in town-meeting, remonſtrating againſt ſuch diviſion, were read, and referred to Mr. King, Mr. Veeder and Mr. Garnſey.

A petition of Ebenezer Caulking and others, of the county of Oneida, praying the ſale of certain lands in ſaid county, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State."

Four ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ruſſel and Mr. Sanders, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten iſland;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing ſuits againſt delinquent collectors, and requiring ſecurity to be given by them;" the bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money appropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange and Rockland," and the bill, entitled "An act granting to Robert McQueen the excluſive right of uſing, and ſelling to others to be uſed in this State, his invented machine for cleaning wheat," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Ruſſel and Mr. Sands, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act concerning the mayor's court of the city of Albany," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Skidmore deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred the petition of Gabriel Furman, reported, That by the 12th ſection of the "Act for the payment of certain offices of government and other contingent expences," paſſed the 3d April, 1799, proviſion was made for paying to the corporation of the city of New-York, out of the ſum appropriated by the two firſt ſections of the "Act for the further defence of this State, and for other purpoſes," paſſed 27th Auguſt, 1798, ſuch ſum as they had borrowed and expended for the defenſive operations ſpecified in the two ſections of the act laſt mentioned.

That on the firſt day of October laſt, a warrant was drawn on the Treaſurer in favour of the corporation for 63,804 dols. 98 cts. being the amount of the principal and intereſt borrowed by them for the above purpoſes.

That the accounts ſtated by the petitioners, were not included in the ſum thus paid to the corporation.

That from vouchers, lodged in the Comptroller's office, certified by Ebenezer Stevens, Eſq. it appears that there is due

	Dols.	cts.
To Gerardus Deforeſt	17	50
To Underhill & Townſend	10	23
To Thomas & James Stevenſon	11	56
To John Avery	4	6
To Cornelius Brinckerhoff	254	16
To Jacob Smith	143	56
To George Dominick	25	30
To John Hoogland	69	6
To John Videtto	107	86
To the Mercantile Advertiſer	2	37
To Henry Rutgers	53	27
To F. & P. Rhinelander	96	96
To the Commiſſioners of the Almshouſe and Bridewell	603	
To John Tabele	42	
To Seth R. Kneeland	1032	75
To Peter Caryth	1785	4
To Joſeph F. Mangin	235	
To Eugene Lucett & Co.	44	61
To Smith Batchelor & Barton	1507	80
To Peter Schermerhorn	130	84
To John Martin	171	75
To James Riker	8	25
To Kenneth McKenzie	406	52
To Thomas Smith	3	
To John McLean	297	44
In all D.	7063	89

That Gabriel Furman was the agent who received all the monies, made the diſ-
rſements, and kept the accounts relative to the meaſures of defence in New-York,
d his compenſation, eſtimated at a commiſſion of one per cent. on D. 59786 18,
ing the whole ſum actually received and expended by him, will amount to
597 86.

That Ebenezer Stephens was one of a committee appointed by the citizens of
ew-York, to deviſe and cauſe fortifications to be erected for its immediate defence,
d had the particular ſuperintendance of the execution of the works, of the mount-
g and equipment of the cannon belonging to this State, and the charge of its arms
d military ſtores in New-York confided to him. That his claim againſt the
ate, conſiſts of the following items.

	Dolls. cts.	
or ſervices, from May, 1798, till the month of November following, in ſuperintending and procuring neceſſaries for the fortifications on York iſland, 6 months, at 4 dols. per day, is	624	
or ſervices from November, 1798, till June, 1799, in ſuperintending the mounting and equipment of artillery, and procuring the neceſſary implements, &c. 7 months, at 4 dollars per day, is	728	
or diſburſements relating to fortifications, equipment of cannon, &c.	1375	71
or making cartridges - -	4274	38
or ſtorage of military ſtores - -	1317	80
Total	D. 8319	89
rom which is to be deducted in caſh received by him from Gabriel Furman	3694	82
eaving a balance in his favour, of	D. 4625	07

That the charge of 265 dols. by the ſtreet commiſſioners, is for pavements laid
ppoſite to the arſenal in the city of New-York, but that the title to the lot on
hich it is erected is not in the People of this State.

That the aggregate of the above charges is 12,551 dols. 82 cts.

It is juſt that as all the preceding charges (except that of the ſtreet commiſſion-
rs) are for materials found, and ſervices performed, in the proſecution of thoſe de-
enſive preparations, which were thought requiſite for the ſafety of New-York, that
he individuals, who ſeem to be chiefly mechanics, ſhould be paid. And I am of
pinion that the Legiſlature, on the ſame principles which induced them to provide
or the reimburſement of the monies borrowed by the corporation of New-York,
ught to diſcharge the accounts of the perſons named in the petition.

Although the corporation of New-York have not conveyed to the People of the
State the lot on which the arſenal is built, yet the title to Pottersfield is veſted in
he People for this purpoſe. It may therefore be equitable to pay the expenditure
or pavement alſo.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOHN V. HENRY, Comptroller.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be referred to Mr. Riggs, Mr. Comſtock and Mr. Livingſton.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the report of the ſelect committee on the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects," which report is entered on the Journals of yeſterday. Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree with the committee in their amendment to the ſaid bill, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the amendment be engroſſed.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the report of the ſelect committee on the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to an act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice." The ſaid report having been read and conſidered, Thereupon

Ordered, That the further conſideration thereof be poſtponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Wood, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to prevent duelling," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act loaning monies to the ſuperintendants of highways of the county of Albany," which was read the firſt time; and on the queſtion being put whether the ſaid bill ſhould be ordered a ſecond reading, the ſame paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Norton, from the committee, to whom were referred ſundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Ontario, reported in favor of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to appraiſe lands and tenements upon execution," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act concerning ſupervisors," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Bull and Mr. Burnet.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate buildings within certain limits of the city of Albany;" reported that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act concerning ſupervisors," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Riggs made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, which was read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, to wit.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the Legiſlature will adjourn on the day of

Ordered, That the further conſideration of the ſaid reſolution, ſo far as relates to filling up the blanks in the ſaid reſolution, be poſtponed until Friday next.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims on the petition of James Empſom, reported, That if the ſtatement of the petitioner is true he is probably entitled to the gratuity of land promiſed by the act of March, 1783, but as he has not produced any vouchers to ſubſtantiate his claim, it is the opinion of the committee that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims on the petition of Ann Barber, widow and executrix of col. William Barber, deceaſed, reported, That the repreſentation made in the petition contains all the information which has come before them relative to this claim, but it furniſhes no evidence that col. Barber was in the line of this State, or was returned as one of the quota thereof, and of courſe is not entitled to any bounty or gratuity of lands. It is therefore the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Riggs made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That a committee be appointed to conſider whether the act, entitled "An act for the ſupport of government," paſſed the 11th April, 1792, and the act, entitled "An act providing for the expences of ſuits in which the People of this State are intereſted," paſſed 26th January, 1799, and any other act relative to the ſame ſubjects, or either of them, ought not to be repealed—and if not, then whether the ſaid acts or either of them ought not to be amended.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to the ſaid reſolution, and it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Bill made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution, which was read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That a committee of three members be appointed to report to this Houſe, with all convenient ſpeed, what buſineſs before this Houſe remains unfiniſhed.

And Mr. Savage, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Van Renſſelaer were accordingly appointed of the ſaid committee.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the truſtees of the Preſbyterian church and congregation of the town of Salem to ſell and diſpoſe of certain lands for the benefit of the ſaid church and congregation;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Iſaac Sebring, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Cornelius Sebring, deceaſed, and of James Beekman, executor of the laſt will and teſtament of Gerard W. Beekman, deceaſed;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Lighthall and Thomas Tredwell Jackſon;" the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Sarah M'Ginnis and Rachel Walmſley," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Sarah Scudder," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, alſo delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

In COUNCIL OF REVISION, *the* 19*th March*, 1800.

The Council object to the bill, entitled "An act giving certain powers to the magiſtrates of this State in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice," becoming a law of this State—

Becauſe the right to legiſlate in this caſe belongs to the government of the United States, and it appertains to them to remove any doubts or ſupply any defects which may be ſuppoſed in their ſtatute on this ſubject.

JOHN JAY.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid objections be poſtponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read in the committee, the firſt enacting clauſe being under conſideration, Mr. Oſtrom made a motion to amend the ſaid clauſe, by adding thereto the following, viz.

"Which ſaid ſum of money, ſo to be collected, ſhall be applied to the purpoſe of erecting a ſufficient gaol in and for ſaid county, which gaol ſhall be erected upon the great Geneſee road, at ſuch place as ſhall be deſignated by the judges and aſſiſtant-juſtices of the court of common pleas of ſaid county of Oneida, or a majority of them, within one hundred rods of the dwelling-houſe of Lemuel Johnſon, in Whiteſtown."

That debates were had on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Butler, ſeconded by Mr. Bull, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 54
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Oothout,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Tabet,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Watrous.
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Williamſon, 45
Mr. Garnſey,			

Mr. Shurtleff reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 20th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate buildings within certain limits of the city of Albany," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Thomas, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects," with the engroſſed amendment, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Thomas, deliver the bill with the amendment to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill with the amendment therewith delivered.

The bill, entitled "An act concerning ſuperviſors," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Thomas, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten-Iſland;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing ſuits againſt delinquent collectors and requiring ſecurity to be given by them;" the bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money appropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange and Rockland;" the bill entitled "An act granting to Robert M'Queen the excluſive right of uſing and ſelling to others to be uſed in this State, his invented machine for cleaning wheat," and the bill, entitled "An act to prevent duelling," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Oneida, praying that the Legiſlature will grant an augmentation to the funds of Hamilton Oneida academy, were read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred ſo much of the

peech of his Excellency the Governor, as relates to inſtitutions for the education f youth, and common ſchools.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further onſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money ppropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange nd Rockland," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of he members from the ſaid counties.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred the petition of William Woodruff and thers, inhabitants of the town of Union in the county of Tioga, reported, That in he "act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," paſſed the 1ſt April, 1799, here is a proviſo exempting a tract of two hundred and thirty-four thouſand and our hundred acres of land, granted by the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts to amuel Brown and others, on the 8th of November, 1787, from the operation of he act, until after the 8th of November, 1802.

If the aſſeſſors have, notwithſtanding, proceeded to lay a tax on the petitioners, eing inhabitants of that tract of land, they have acted without authority, and are gally reſponſible to the petitioners, for any damages which they may ſuſtain by s collection. I am therefore of opinion, that there is no ground for legiſlative in- rpoſition, more eſpecially, as it appears that the petitioners, at the date of their etition, on the 8th of February laſt, which is ſubſequent to the day that the col- ctors warrant is returnable, had not paid the taxes, which they alledge were aſ- ſſed on them.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOHN V. HENRY, *Comptroller.*

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Comptroller in his ſaid report.

Mr. Thomas from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled An act authorizing Warren Ferriſs to build a bridge over Hudſon's river at len's falls, between the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga," reported, that the ommittee had gone through the bill, made amendments and agreed to the ſame; hich he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, nd delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by he Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe, be diſcharged from any fur- her conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of oney to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," and that the ſame be committed o a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Hall, Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Myer, Mr. Norton nd Mr. Henry.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, as read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honor of laying before you the annual report of the Regents of the niverſity, which I received from their ſecretary this morning.

JOHN JAY.

Albany, 20th March, 1800.

The report of the Regents of the Univerſity is in the words following, viz.

To the Honorable the Legiſlature of the State of New-York.

The REGENTS of the Univerſity reſpectfully report—

That during the laſt year the annual proviſion ceaſed, which had ſubſiſted by aw ſince the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-two, for the ſupport of dditional profeſſorſhips in *Columbia College*, and in conſequence thereof three of he profeſſorſhips have, for the preſent, ceaſed, and ſeveral others are diminiſhing n activity, from the want of more adequate ſupport. The faculty of medicine, hich is deemed a very uſeful department of learning in that inſtitution, is alſo nguiſhing, and ſtands in need of aid and encouragement. In other reſpects the ollege continues to proſper. The number of ſtudents under the faculty of arts ſeventy-five, and under the faculty of medicine, nineteen, and the various

branches of claſſical knowledge are taught by profeſſors eminently reſpectable for their diligence and learning.

The ſtate of this College calls for the attention of the Legiſlature. Its proſperity is cloſely connected with the honor and intereſt of the State. Its ſituation is very favorable for teaching ſucceſsfully the higher or more advanced branches of academical education, and it might be made a medical ſchool of the firſt character in the United States. The Regents would beg leave to ſuggeſt that this College ought to receive ſome renewed and ſtrong mark of public munificence.

A number of circumſtances indicate that *Union College* will ſoon become a very uſeful and diſtinguiſhed ſeat of learning; and with great pleaſure the Regents have witneſſed the liberal aſſiſtance it has recently received, and by which it will be enabled to complete the requiſite buildings, and make proviſion for its profeſſors.

The returns which the Regents have received from ſeveral of the Academies inſtituted in different parts of the State, are in general very favorable, and afford well grounded expectations that thoſe Academies will become extenſively influential in the diffuſion of learning and the promotion of virtue. The Academies of *Eraſmus Hall*, *Montgomery*, *Dutcheſs*, *Clinton*, *Columbia*, *Johnſtown*, *Hamilton Oneida* and *Union Hall* carry with them very honorable marks of proſperity.—The building belonging to the *Oxford* Academy was recently deſtroyed by fire, and they have applied to the Legiſlature for ſome pecuniary aſſiſtance, to enable them to repair their misfortune. That application has been referred to the Regents, by the Aſſembly, and they thereupon reſpectfully report and recommend, that aſſiſtance be afforded to that Academy, in ſuch mode and to ſuch extent as to the Legiſlature ſhall ſeem meet.

By order of the Regents,

JOHN JAY, *Chancellor.*

By order of the Chancellor,

FR. BLOODGOOD, *Sec'ry.*

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage and report be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sanders and Mr. Sands, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court houſe in the county of Herkimer," with the amendments therewith delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Sanders and Mr. Sands, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have concurred with this Houſe in their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame," and have amended the bill accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Thurman and Mr. Tibbits, return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe he diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. M'Cord, and Mr. Watrous.

Mr. Everſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill with the amendments be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Savage, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obtain-

ed leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act propoſing a convention for the purpoſe of reducing the number of Senators and members of Aſſembly," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The Houſe proceeded to the further conſideration of the report of the committee on the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice:" Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Riggs, purſuant to notice heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act concerning the juſtices of the ſupreme court," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Williamſon, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of James Galloway, reported in favour of the petition, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to empower James Galloway to erect a dam acroſs Mud creek in the county of Ontario, heretofore declared a public highway," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Norton and Mr. Halſey.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act altering the time for electing the repreſentatives of this State, in the houſe of repreſentatives of the congreſs of the United States of America," and alſo on the bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act entitled "An act to regulate highways."

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Savage, with the bill, amendments and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects."

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed until to-morrow.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Savage, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Surveyor-General be, and he is hereby requeſted to repair, before the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, to the Oneida, Cayuga and Onondaga reſervations; and obtain as accurate and full information as poſſible, with regard to the value of the lots ſold by the State, and the circumſtances of the purchaſers thereof, and of the actual ſettlers thereon, and generally ſuch information as may relate to the expediency of a remiſſion of any part of the principal or intereſt of the conſideration monies, and make report thereon at the next ſeſſion. And that the Legiſlature will provide for all expences that may be accrued in the premiſes. And that in the mean time no ſuits ſhall be commenced againſt any of the ſaid putchaſers, and all proceedings already had, be ſtayed.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed till to-morrow.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion to the bill, entitled "An act giving certain powers to the magiſtrates of this State in relation to ſeamen in foreign ſervice." Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill, notwithſtanding the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion to the ſame, ſhould become a law of this State, and it paſſed in the negative, in the manner following, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Roſebcom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren. 43
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. A. Smith,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Wattles.
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey. 39
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 21ſt, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authorize Warren Ferriſs to build a toll bridge acroſs the Hudſon river at Glen's falls, between the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Thomas and Mr. Tinkham, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act concerning the juſtices of the ſupreme court," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the village of Lanſingburgh, in the county of Renſſelaer, praying alterations in certain laws relating to the internal police of the ſaid village, and alſo to the improving the navigation of Hudſon's river between Troy and Lanſingburgh, was read; and a motion was thereupon made by Mr. Tibbits for leave to bring in a bill for the purpoſes mentioned in ſaid petition. Leave being given, Mr. Tibbits brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act authorizing the truſtees of the village of Lanſingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for the purpoſes therein mentioned," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Savage and Mr. Schenck, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman and for other purpoſes," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; one of the ſaid amendments was to add a preamble and clauſe to the ſaid bill in the words following, to wit.

And whereas John Stevenſon of the city of Albany, hath reſpectfully repreſented to the Legiſlature that his father, James Stevenſon, late of the ſaid city, deceaſed, was entitled to a grant for three thouſand acres of land in the late colony, now the State of New-York, and that letters patent paſſed therefor under the great ſeal of the ſaid colony on the ſeventh day of December, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-five. And whereas it is declared by the conſtitution of this State, that all grants of lands within this State, made by the King of Great-Britain, or perſons acting under his authority after the fourteenth day of October, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-five, ſhall be null and void," by reaſon of which article in the conſtitution, the grant ſo paſſed as aforeſaid is become null and void. And whereas the article was apparently inſerted to guard againſt colluſive

and improper grants, and not againſt fair claimants whoſe right had accrued prior to the eſtabliſhment of the ſaid conſtitution. And whereas it is of record, in the Secretary's office of this State, that an order of council had paſſed on the eleventh day of July, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-five, antecedent to the date of the ſaid grant for paſſing the ſame; Therefore,

Be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the commiſſioners of the land-office, and they are hereby directed, to cauſe letters patent in the uſual forms to iſſue to the ſaid John Stevenſon, for the tract of land mentioned and deſcribed in the above recited letters patent to the ſaid James Stevenſon, deceaſed, if the ſame ſhall remain unappropriated, on the ſaid John Stevenſon paying for the ſame to the Treaſurer of this State, the ſum of ſeven hundred and fifty dollars.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Denton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Haller,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Opthout,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey. 54
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom.		

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous. 43
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	

The other amendments were alſo concurred in. Thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Thurman and Mr. Thomas deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John M. Maſon and others," and the bill, entitled "An act for eſtabliſhing and regulating a ferry acroſs the Hudſon river between the counties of Weſtcheſter and Rockland," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

The Surveyor-General, to whom was referred the petition of John Stedman, reported, That the petitioner alledges that in the year 1763 the judicious of the Six nations, in order to compenſate him for certain damages ſuſtained through their means, gave him a deed for a certain tract of land extending ſeveral miles along Niagara river, to wit, from where Gill's creek empties into the ſame above the great fall to a place called the bloody bridge below it. That ſaid deed has periſhed along with the papers of ſir William Johnſon, in an iron cheſt buried under ground at Johnſon hall. The exiſtence of which deed he now proves by certificates given by the judicious. He alſo alledges that he has continued to reſide, and make valuable improvements on the premiſes.

Part of the tract deſcribed as having been granted as aforeſaid, falls within the lands along Niagara river, reſerved by this State in their deed of ceſſion to the

Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, and remains at the diſpoſal of the State. It reſts with the Legiſlature to determine what weight is to be allowed to theſe claims o equity preſented by the petitioner.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

SIMEON DE WITT, Surveyor-General.

Albany, 19th March, 1800.

Ordered, That the ſaid report and petition be referred to Mr. Williamſon, Mr. King and Mr. Fort.

A ſecond petition of John Harper, relative to the purchaſe of vacant land, and eſtabliſhing a ferry at the Black rock, was read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants, relative to a turnpike road from Utica to Geneva, was read, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike company for improving the State-road from the Houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario."

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and alſo on the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Suſquehannah river."

Mr. Riggs, from the committee to whom was referred the report of the Comptroller, on the petition of Gabriel Furman, reported, That the ſum of twelve thouſand, five hundred and fifty-one dollars and eighty-two cents, mentioned in the ſaid report, appears to have been expended or become due in conſequence of the appropriation made for the further defence of this State, and for other purpoſes, paſſed the twenty-ſeventh day of Auguſt, 1798, unleſs the ſum of two hundred and ſixty-five dollars, paid for pavements laid oppoſite the arſenal in the city of New-York, may be conſidered as expended for a different purpoſe. But conſidering that expenditure was uſeful, if not eſſentially neceſſary to the preſervation of the arſenal, it is ſubmitted whether it is not to be taken as part of the neceſſary meaſures of defence. By the Comptroller's report, and other information received by the committee, which they conſider entitled to credit, it is underſtood that the corporation of the city of New-York borrowed of the bank of New-York a large ſum of money to carry on the works of defence contemplated in the act of the 27th of Auguſt, 1798; and it was ſuppoſed, at the time of paſſing of the act of the third of April, 1799, that the monies borrowed by the corporation of the bank of New-York, was equal to the whole ſum that the means of defence which had been adopted would amount to. And therefore the laſt mentioned act only made proviſion for the repayment to the corporation ſuch ſum as had been borrowed from the bank of New-York, which left the ſaid ſum of D. 12,551. 82, unprovided for.

The committee are therefore of opinion that proviſion ſhould be made by law for the payment of the above ſum, and that a clauſe ought to be added to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

A meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, delivered by his private ſecretary, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

GENTLEMEN,

You will percieve, from the letter herewith laid before you, that the Secretary of State has tranſmitted, for this State, 410 copies of the acts of the laſt Congreſs, and 450 copies of thoſe paſſed at their laſt ſeſſion. Theſe books are at the Secretary's Office. I ſubmit to your conſideration, whether it would not be proper to direct the manner in which, not only theſe acts, but alſo ſuch as may be received in future, ſhould be diſpoſed of.

The letter which accompanied the ſaid meſſage was alſo read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid meſſage of his Excellency the Governor, and the letter accompanying the ſame, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Spencer and Mr. Strong, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county," with the amendments therewith delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed until to-morrow.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Spencer and Mr. Strong with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General, and for other purpoſes," with the amendment therewith delivered. The bill and amendment were read; and the amendment was read a ſecond time—the ſame is to add a paragraph to the third enacting clauſe: which clauſe is in the words following, viz.

"*And be it further enacted*, That the Treaſurer of this State ſhall pay the Surveyor-General, on the warrant of the Comptroller, a ſum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to enable him to run and mark the boundary lines between the counties of Saratoga and Montgomery, between Montgomery and Herkimer, and ſo much of the bounds of the county of Schoharie as have not been run and marked agreeable to the laws deſcribing the ſame, for which ſum the ſaid Surveyor-General ſhall account with the Comptroller."

The Senate amended the ſaid clauſe by adding the following paragraph, viz.

"And which money, ſo expended, ſhall be a charge againſt the ſaid counties in equal proportions, and ſhall be levied and collected in like manner as the contingent charges of the ſaid counties are, and ſhall be paid into the Treaſury of the State within two years from the paſſing of this act."

Debates were had, and Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Bull, ſeconded by Mr. M'Intyre, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. King,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous.
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey. 68

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Thomas,	Mr. Wood, 16

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment.

Mr. Bull gave notice that he would, to-morrow, move for a reconſideration of the ſaid reſolution of concurrence. Whereupon,

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould be retained in this Houſe until the ſaid reconſideration was had, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court-houſe in the county of Herkimer." The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Towner and Mr. Verbryck deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments, and have amended the bill accordingly.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, as entered on the journal of yeſterday, requeſting the Surveyor-General to repair before the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, to the Oneida, Cayuga and Onondaga reſervations, to obtain full and accurate information with regard to the value of the lots ſold by the State, and for other purpoſes in the ſaid reſolution mentioned.

Mt. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution, and it was carried in the affirmative: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Tinkham and Mr. Towner, deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Houſe proceeded to the reconſideration of the amendment of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects." The bill and amendment having been read and conſidered, and the amendment having been read and reconſidered, Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do adhere to their ſaid amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Tinkham and Mr. Towner, deliver the bill, amendment and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Hall, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Reſolved, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and to repeal a certain ſection of an act therein mentioned; and that the ſame be committed to Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Doty and Mr. Nicholl.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act relative to the duty of the commiſſioners of highways for the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes," and that the ſame be committed to the ſaid laſt mentioned committee.

Mr. Snell, from the committee, to whom was referred the report of the Surveyor-General, on the petition of Chriſtopher W. Fox, reported, that the facts as ſtated are true, and that in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petition ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a clauſe to be added to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. King, from the committee, to whom were referred ſundry petitions reſpecting the diviſion of the town of Cazenovia, reported, that the ſaid town is large, the inhabitants numerous, and their ſituation ſuch that their town connection is inconvenient. The committee are of opinion that a diviſion of the town as propoſed in the petition would be proper for that purpoſe; they have prepared a bill, and aſk leave to bring in the ſame. Leave being given, Mr. King brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Cazenovia in the county of Chenango, into two towns," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Strong, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the New-York inſurance company, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to alter the time for holding town meetings in the town of Thurman, in the county of Waſhington, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Thurman, Mr. Petit and Mr. Sargent.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Tueſday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon."

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Riggs, Mr. Bull, Mr. Marvin, Mr. Oothout and Mr. Swartwout.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to empower James Galloway to erect a dam acroſs Mud creek in the county of Ontario, heretofore declared a public highway," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

The Attorney-General, to whom was referred the petition of William Crawford and Ithamer Weed, reported, That the practices charged againſt Thomas Brantingham, and ſupported by the documents accompanying the petition, are very oppreſſive, and if legally eſtabliſhed, conſtitute a public offence, puniſhable by indictment; on conviction, he may be ſentenced to impriſoument in the *bridewell* of the city of New-York, at the direction of the court; for theſe reaſons, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, any legiſlative interference in the premiſes is unneceſſary, and would be inexpedient.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOSIAH OGDEN HOFFMAN.

March 21ſt, 1800.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Attorney-General in his ſaid report.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Radcliff, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, that the bill, entitled "An act to alter the time for the election of charter officers in the city of New-York; to lengthen the terms of the court of common pleas; to give additional power to the ſpecial juſtices for preſerving the peace in the city and county of New-York; to reduce ſeveral laws relating particularly to the ſaid city and county into one act, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to reſtrain the feeding and burning the graſs, and cutting the timber on certain beaches and iſlands therein mentioned, paſſed the twenty-fourth day of April, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-four, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Poughkeepſie;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act for the partition of lands;" the bill, entitled "An act eſtabliſhing an allowance to the commiſſioner of exciſe in the city and county of New-York;" the bill, entitled "An act providing for the Indians reſiding at New-Stockbridge;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſhua Quereau and Elias Quereau;" the bill, entitled "An act concerning the

mayor's court of the city of Albany ;" the bill, entitled " An act to authorize the ſupervisors of the county of Waſhington to raiſe a ſum of money for the purpoſes therein mentioned ;" the bill, entitled " An act concerning certain debts and demands in the city of New-York, and to amend an act, entitled " An act concerning the recovery of debts and demands to the value of ten pounds in the city of New-York," and the bill, entitled " An act making proviſion for draining a certain tract of ſwamp or bog-meadow, known by the name of the Beaverdam, in the town of New-Windſor, in the county of Orange," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State,

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution to the adjournment of the Legiſlature. A motion was made, that the blank in the ſaid reſolution ſhould be filled up with the " firſt day of April next," and the queſtion being put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative. Thereupon,

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the Legiſlature will adjourn on the firſt day of April next.

Ordered, That Mr. Van Benthuyſen and Mr. Van Renſſelaer deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act altering the time for electing the repreſentatives of this State in the Houſe of Repreſentatives of the Congreſs of the United States of America," reported, That after the ſaid bill had been read in the committee, the enacting clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That the next general election of repreſentatives in this State for the Houſe of Repreſentatives of the United States, ſhall begin and be held on the laſt Tueſday in April, in the year of our Lord one thouſand eight hundred one. And every ſubſequent general election of ſuch repreſentatives in this State ſhall be held on the laſt Tueſday in April in every ſecond year thereafter, at the places, and in the manner directed for ſuch purpoſe, in and by the act, entitled " An act for electing repreſentatives for this State in the Houſe of Repreſentatives of the Congreſs of the United States of America," paſſed the 28th of March, 1797.

That debates were had, and the queſtion having been put whether the committee did agree thereto, it paſſed in the negative, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, were read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, that the bill, entitled " An act concerning ſupervisors ;" the bill, entitled " An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled " An act for veſting a certain tract of land in truſtees for the benefit of Peter Otſequette ;" the bill, entitled " An act to alter the diviſion line between the counties of Orange and Rockland;" the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of John Steward ;" the bill, entitled " An act relative to religious ſocieties ;" the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Iſrael Spencer and his aſſociates ;" the bill, entitled " An act for dividing the town of Marlborough, in the county of Ulſter ;" the bill, entitled " An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the counties of Columbia and Schoharie ;" the bill, entitled " An act to revive the act, entitled " An act for preſcribing the times, places and manner of holding elections for ſenators to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States of America," and the bill, enitled " An act to divide certain towns in the ſeveral counties of Oneida, Orange, Delaware, Tioga and Cayuga," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled " An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," and that the ſame be committed to the members from the county of Columbia.

Then the Houſe adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 22d, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Van Renſſelaer and Mr. Veeder, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Cazenovia in the county of Chenango, into two towns," and the bill entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of David Devoe and others, inhabitants of the town of Bern, praying a diviſion of the ſeveral counties in this State into diſtricts, for the election of members of Aſſembly, was read, and referred to Mr. Deitz, Mr. Burt and Emott.

A petition of the collectors of the State tax, in the city of New-York, praying a further time for the collection of the ſaid tax, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes."

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Strong and Mr. Suffern, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That the Secretary of the State cauſe the act, entitled "An act altering the terms of the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of peace in the counties of Columbia and Schorahie," and the act, entitled "An act for dividing the town of Marlborough in the county of Ulſter," to be printed for three weeks ſucceſſively in the paper printed by the printer to the State.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Van Benthuyſen and Mr. Van Renſſelaer, deliver a copy of the ſaid preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. King, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of John G. Moyer, reported, that the application of the petitioner is to purchaſe five acres of land, the property of the people of this State, liable to be overflowed by the water of his mill-pond. That the committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that a clauſe ſhould be added to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Mr. King, from the committee, to whom were referred the petitions of Conradt Klock and others, of Michael Day and others, of Ebenezer Caulking and others, of John Van Eps Wemple, of Conradt Pickerd and Hartman Pickerd, and of William Seeber and Silvenus Seeber, reported, that it appears the petitioners all live on the Oneida reſervation, and apply nearly for the ſame thing, which is to purchaſe Oneida lands of the State. Moſt of them wiſh to ſtand on the footing of pre-emptioners, having loſt the land which they held under the Indians. The petition of Ebenezer Caulking and others, is, that certain tracts in the reſervation, may be ſurveyed and ſold. That it is the opinion of the committee, that a clauſe providing for the objects of theſe petitioners, ought to be added to the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State," and that leave ſhould be given to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Riggs, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read; and on the queſtion being put, whether the Houſe

did agree with the committee in their ſaid report, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Sharpe, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, to wit:

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. King,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 60

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Roſebloom,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Vedder,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles. 38
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Pettit,		

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Deitz, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the ſupervifors of the county of Schoharie, reported, that in the opinion of the committe, the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a bill for ſuch purpoſe. Leave being given, Mr. Deitz brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Thurman, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act altering the time of holding town meeting in the town of Thurman, in the county of Waſhington," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added a clauſe, and added to the title, "and to alter the name of the town of Suffrage, in the county of Otſego," and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of Cornelius Higgins, reported, that they have received no information relative to this claim but what is contained in the ſaid petition and two affidavits which accompany it, and that theſe do not furniſh ſufficient evidence that relief ought to be granted. It is the opinion of the committee, that leave be given to the petitioner to withdraw his petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Bull, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, made a motion that this Houſe ſhould reconſider their determination, made yeſterday on the queſtion for concurring with the Hon. the Senate in their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General, and for other purpoſes." Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the ſaid motion, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The Houſe then proceeded to the reconſideration of the ſaid amendment, and the ſame having been read and conſidered, Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Van Renſſelaer and Mr. Veeder deliver the bill, amendment, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Houſe proceeded to take into conſideration the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Albany and Ulſter into a ſeparate county." The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Verbryck and Mr. Warren deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 21ſt inſt. and the letter accompanying the ſaid meſſage, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. M'Cord, Mr. Bill and Mr. Strong.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Everſon, Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Wood and Mr. Burt.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of ſalmon in certain rivers running into lake Ontario," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Butler and Mr. Hall.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Strong, Mr. Bogert and Mr. Sherred.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the preſident and directors of the New-York inſurance company, reported, That before and ſince the incorporation of this bank, in 1791, the directors have afforded great accommodation to the State, and ſo materially benefited its financial operations, that they are entitled, in an eminent degree, to the patronage of the Legiſlature. The ſhares which the State holds in the ſtock of this company, and the debt due from them, amount together to almoſt a million and a half of dollars. The ſtate conſequently is deeply intereſted in the welfare and proſperity of the inſtitution.

From this view of the ſubject, the committee would have adviſed the Houſe to releaſe the charter of the bank of New-York from the wiſe and uſeful reſtrictions which were thought neceſſary to impoſe on it, but they entertain ſo high a ſenſe of the impropriety of an incorporated company without checks or reſtrictions, with an unlimited capital and unreſtrained application of it, and of the abuſes and evils incident to it, and the danger reſulting from it to the community, that they cannot adviſe the Houſe to correct a great exiſting evil by creating a new one, and altho' they hope that ſome relief may be deviſed in favor of this company, ſtill they are of opinion that it ought not to be granted in the full extent prayed for in the petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Shurtleff, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the ſuperintendents of highways for the county of Albany, and for raiſing a ſum of money to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee appointed to inſpect what laws have expired or are near expiring, and to report from time to time which of them they judge neceſſary to be revived or continued, and likewiſe what new laws they ſhall conceive neceſſary to be made for the benefit of the State, reported a bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made an amendment, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendment be engroſſed.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act altering the time for holding annual town-meetings in the town of Thurman, in the county of Waſhington, and for altering the name of the town of Suffrage, in the county of Otſego," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Veeder and Mr. Verbryck deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs," and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th of February, 1798," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill laſt mentioned, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Riggs, Mr. Henry and Mr. M'Intyre.

Mr. Strong, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

The Hon. the Senate returned, by Mr. Suffern and Mr. Ten Eyck, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman and for other purpoſes."

Ordered, That Mr. Warren and Mr. Watrous deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways," reported the proceedings of the committee to have been as follows, viz. That after the ſaid bill had been read through in the committee, and in proceeding thereon, a clauſe thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

"*And be it further enacted*, That after the day of no waggon belonging to an inhabitant of this State, ſhall be uſed on any public highway, that ſhall not be conſtructed agreeably to the thirty-firſt ſection of the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways."

That a motion was made by Mr. Adriance, that the committee ſhould agree to expunge the ſaid clauſe. That debates aroſe on the ſaid motion, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Adriance, ſeconded by Mr. Livingſton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Haller,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Everetſon,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Conine,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck, 41
Mr. A. Gilbert,			

That another clauſe in the ſaid bill was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That if after the ſaid firſt day of May, A. D. 1804, the owner of any waggon ſhall travel therewith, or ſhall ſuffer any other perſon to travel therewith, on any public highway, if the ſame ſhall not be conſtructed agreeably to the act aforeſaid, ſuch owner being an inhabitant of this State, ſhall forfeit the ſum of one dollar, when and as often as ſuch waggon ſhall be found ſo travelling as aforeſaid, to be recovered with coſts of ſuit in the name of any perſon making complaint thereof, before any juſtice of the peace of the county where the offence ſhall happen, upon the oath of one or more credible witneſſes, to be levied by diſtreſs and ſale of the goods and chattels of the offender, by warrant from the juſtice, to be directed to any conſtable of the town where ſuch offender ſhall reſide, and the ſaid conſtable is hereby required to pay ſuch penalties into the hands of the commiſſioners of highways for the town in which the offence was committed, to be by the ſaid commiſſioners applied in improving the public roads and bridges within ſuch town: *Provided*, that no more than one ſuch forfeiture by the owner of the ſame waggon ſhall be incurred in the ſame day.

That debates were had thereon, and the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Wood, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr Wattles,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wood. 51
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Verbryck. 38
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,		

That Mr. Savage then made a motion, that the committee ſhould agree to riſe, report progreſs, and aſk leave to ſit again; and that the queſtion having been put on the ſaid motion, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Floyd, ſeconded by Mr. Henry, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren. 41
Mr. Humfrey.			

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood, 44

Mr. Woolſey further reported, That the committee had made further progreſs in the ſaid bill, and had directed him to move for leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the ſaid committee have leave to ſit again.

Mr. M'Cord made a motion that the Houſe ſhould adjourn.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to the motion of Mr. M'Cord, and it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Riggs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Steenback,	Mr. Woolſey. 42
Mr. Garnſey.	Mr. Meyer,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Teed.
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Winne. 39
Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,	

Mr. Riggs, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs," and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th of February, 1798," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and made amendments thereto, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed until Monday next.

Then the Houſe adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, ten o'clock, A. M. March 24th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground,

which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Adriance, ſeconded by Mr. J. Smith, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Woolſey. 47
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles. 43
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," was read the third time,

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Verbryck and Mr. Warren deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie;" the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the ſuperintendants of highways for the county of Albany, and for raiſing a ſum of money to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A third petition of John Harper was read. Thereupon

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his ſaid petition.

A petition of Paul Worden, praying a grant of lands for militay ſervices, was read, and referred to the committee of claims,

A petition of Jeremiah Van Renſſelaer and others, inhabitants of the city of Albany, praying that the Legiſlature will not paſs the clauſe in the bill, entitled, "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain great roads within this State," authorizing certain commiſſioners to lay out and improve a public highway from the ferry, called Marſhall's ferry, in the town of Watervliet, to the city of Schenectady, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the petition of David Devoe

and others, be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the members from the county of Albany.

A petition of the commissioners of taxes for the county of Albany, relative to certain expences incurred under the act for the assessment and collection of taxes, and not provided for by said act, was read, and referred to Mr. Bill, Mr. Stillwell and Mr. Williams.

Mr. Woolsey, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Rice, reported, That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the committee by the vouchers which have been exhibited to them, that Benjamin Muirson and Heathcoate Muirson, boarded with the petitioner at his house in New-Haven, Connecticut, from the year 1768 to the year 1776; that they were then at the college in that city, and were the sons of Dr. George Muirson, deceased, late of Suffolk county, whose estate was confiscated to the use of the people of this State.

The amount due for principal and interest to the petitioner from the said estate is about £.750, and there is a balance standing on the books of the Treasurer to the credit of the estate of £.1219 15s. 11d.

The affidavit of the claimant, and the high testimonials of his integrity which he has produced, satisfy the committee that no part of this demand has ever been received by him.

By the act of 12th May, 1784, persons not residing within this State, and having demands on forfeited estates; are not entitled to receive payment out of the proceeds of such estates; although the petitioner is not therefore legally entitled to relief, yet his claim being in the opinion of the committee in the highest degree equitable, induces them to believe that his prayer ought to be granted.

Resolved, That this House do not agree with the committee in their said report.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, in behalf of Mr. Shurtleff, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Schenectady fire bag company, reported, That the petitioners state, they have entered into an association for the purpose of preserving their own and their fellow-citizens property from accidents by fire.

That the corporation of said city, fully convinced of the utility of such an association, have passed an ordinance for the government of said company, which is thereby limited to the number of thirty members.

The petitioners pray that the Legislature will pass a law exempting the members of said company, and those who may from time to time become members thereof, from serving in the militia, except in case of invasion or other imminent danger.

The committee think it unnecessary to enlarge on the utility and good effect of institutions of this nature, as they conceive them to be too obvious to require a particular detail; they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted; they have prepared a bill for that purpose, and have directed their chairman to ask for leave to bring in the same. Leave being given, Mr. Van Rensselaer brought in the said bill, entitled "An act to encourage the Schenectady fire company," which was read the first time; and on the question, whether the said bill should be ordered a second reading, it passed in the negative.

A message from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompson, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have passed the bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of congress respecting balances reported against certain states by the commissioners appointed to settle the accounts between the United States and the several states," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Warren and Mr. Watrous, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Revision.

A message from the Hon. the Senate, also delivered by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompson, with the bill, amendment and a copy of the resolution therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have receded from their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General, and for other purposes," and have passed the bill without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompſon, the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court houſe in the county of Herkemer."

Ordered, That Mr. Warren and Mr. Watrous, deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Stevens, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 5th inſt. reported,

1ſt. That it appears to them neceſſary, that a ſmall dwelling houſe ſhould be erected on the ground belonging to the State, near the arſenal, for the deputy commiſſary of military ſtores, the coſts of which ſhould not exceed two thouſand dollars.

2d. That an acre of land ſhould be purchaſed on the height of land oppoſite to the arſenal for a powder magazine, the coſt of which, and the erection of ſaid magazine, is computed at about three thouſand dollars.

3d. We agree in opinion with his Excellency, that there is ſufficient room where the arſenal ſtands, for erecting a work houſe for the manufacturing and repairing of ſmall arms; but the committee do not think it adviſeable, at preſent to go fully into this meaſure.

4th. A maſter armourer is wanted, to keep the arms belonging to the State, in perfect order; to be under the direction of the deputy commiſſary of military ſtores, and his wages ſhould be about four hundred dollars per year.

5th. A ſum not leſs than four thouſand dollars, ſhould be granted to his Excellency the Governor, to defray the expences of tranſporting the cannon, arms, ammunition, &c. from New-York, and putting the neceſſary repairs to public buildings in this city and New-York; and the committee are of opinion, that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill for the above purpoſes.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Pratt, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of ſo much of the report of the Regents of the Univerſity as relates to Oxford academy, in the county of Chenango, and that the ſame be referred to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Butler and Mr. Herkimer.

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Reformed Lutheran and Proteſtant Dutch Church, in Kingſborough, in the county of Montgomery, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Sammons, Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Ten Broeck.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the report of the committee on the bill, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs," and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed 24th February, 1798." The ſaid report having been read, was agreed to by the Houſe, and the amendment ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the cordwainers of the city of New-York, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the cordwainers of the city of New-York," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Wood, purſuant to notice by him heretofore given, made a motion, that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Whereas from the increaſe of population in this State, the repreſentation in the Legiſlature, according to the rule now preſcribed in the conſtitution, will ſhortly become too numerous for the convenient diſpatch of buſineſs, and will render the government extremely expenſive; and whereas ſeveral clauſes of the conſtitution are of doubtful conſtruction, and others have been found by experience to be inconvenient in their operation:—Therefore,

Reſolved, as the ſenſe of this Legiſlature, That it be recommended to the people of this State, to chooſe by ballot, delegates to meet in convention for the ſole and expreſs purpoſe, and who ſhall have no other power than to deliberate and decide on the following alterations or amendments, to the conſtitution of this State:

1. Whether the number of the members of the Legiſlature ſhall not be diminiſhed, and to what number, and whether the number to which it ſhall be ſo diminiſhed ſhall always remain, or whether it ſhall afterwards be increaſed or diminiſhed, and in ſuch caſe to eſtabliſh the rule according to which it ſhall be ſo increaſed or diminiſhed, and to determine the reſpective numbers more or leſs than which it ſhall never be increaſed or diminiſhed.

2. Whether all officers who are now to be appointed by the perſon adminiſtering the government of this State for the time being, with the advice and conſent of the Council of Appointment, ſhall not be appointed by him ſolely? or whether the Preſident hath not, excluſive of the other members of the Council, the ſole right to nominate perſons to be appointed to office, and to remove perſons from office? and if it ſhall be decided that he hath not the right, then to determine whether he ſhall not in future have it in both or either of thoſe caſes.

3. Whether the diſqualification to hold the office of Chancellor, Judge of the Supreme Court or firſt Judge of the county court, in every county, after a perſon ſhall have attained the age of ſixty years, ſhall not be done away? or whether the clauſe ſhall not be ſo altered or amended, that a perſon may be appointed to any of thoſe offices, notwithſtanding he may be ſixty years of age, provided every appointment ſo to be made, ſhall be for ſuch number of years only as ſhall be determined by the convention, and the perſon ſtill to be removable from office for miſbehaviour.

4. Whether the thirty-ninth article ſhall not be done away?

That the number of delegates be the ſame as the number of members of Aſſembly from the reſpective cities and counties, that all free male citizens of twenty-one years of age and upwards, be entitled to vote, and that any perſon of that deſcription be eligible; that the election be held on the firſt Tueſday in June next, that the inſpectors of the election for members of Aſſembly be the inſpectors of the election for delegates, that the ſaid inſpectors ſhall provide a proper box to receive the ballots for delegates and appoint two clerks, each of whom ſhall keep a poll liſt of the electors for delegates, and that at the cloſe of the poll the ballots for delegates ſhall be canvaſſed and the names of the perſons voted for as delegates, and the number of votes given for each perſon, certified and returned to the clerk of the county, in the manner directed by law reſpecting votes for members of Aſſembly, and that the clerk of each reſpective county, ſhall enter of record, the ſtatements or certificates from the inſpectors reſpecting the votes for delegates, and ſhall calculate and aſcertain the aggregate, amount or whole number of votes given for the reſpective candidates or perſons voted for as delegates in ſuch county, and ſhall thereupon determine conformably to the ſtatements or certificates of the inſpectors, upon the perſon or perſons duly elected by the greateſt number of votes as delegates for ſuch county, and ſhall enter ſuch determination of record in his office, and cauſe to be delivered to each perſon ſo found to be elected as a delegate, a certificate of ſuch election, and ſhall alſo tranſmit a copy of ſuch determination to the office of the Secretary of this State, there to be entered of record. That the delegates ſo to be choſen, ſhall meet in convention at the court-houſe, in the city of Albany, on the firſt Tueſday in September next; that the proceedings

of the ſaid convention ſhall be filed in the office of the Secretary of this State, and the determinations of the ſaid convention reſpecting the ſubjects ſubmitted to their conſideration, ſhall be entered of record in ſome proper book in ſaid office; and ſuch determinations ſhall thereupon become and be conſidered as part of the conſtitution of this State; and that the ſaid delegates and the neceſſary attending officers of the convention, ſhall be allowed the like compenſation for their ſervices and travelling expences as is allowed to the members and attending officers of the Legiſlature at the preſent ſeſſion, to be paid by the Treaſurer, on the warrant of the Comptroller, out of any money in the Treaſury; and in caſe there ſhall not be money in the treaſury ſufficient for that purpoſe, it ſhall be lawful for the Comptroller to borrow a ſum that will be ſufficient; and that the Legiſlature will provide for the repayment of it at their next ſeſſion.

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed until Friday next.

Ordered, That 160 copies thereof be forthwith printed.

Mr. Burt, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money appropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange and Rockland," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of ſalmon in certain rivers running into lake Ontario," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and made amendments to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, nine o'clock, A. M. March 25th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Williams and Mr. Williamſon, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," was read the third time.

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of ſalmon in certain rivers running into Lake Ontario," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs and the ſervice and return of proceſs," and the act entitled "An act concerning coroners," paſſed the 24th day of February, 1798," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Williams and Mr. Williamſon, deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bills reſpectively, with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money appropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange and Rockland," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Williams and Mr. Williamſon, delivet the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the cordwainers in the city of New-York," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Three petitions from inhabitants of the county of Columbia, relative to eſtabliſhing a turnpike road on the route from Hartford to the city of Albany, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Alford in the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts to interſect the poſt road from Albany to New-York, near the houſe of Nathan Deyo, in the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia.

A petition of William Snyder and others inhabitants of the city of Albany, praying alterations in the act, entitled "An act further to amend the charter of the city of Albany ſo far as the ſame reſpects the retailing of ſtrong or ſpiritous liquors," was read and referred to the members from the city and county of Albany.

A memorial of the inhabitants of the firſt and ſecond wards of the city of Schenectady, remonſtrating againſt the prayer of the petition of the inhabitants of the third and fourth wards of the ſaid city, relative to repairing roads, and to town meetings, was read, and referred to the ſelect committee to whom the bill on that ſubject was committed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act relative to town meetings in certain towns therein mentioned," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe.

The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Clinton," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments being read a ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Wood and Mr. Woolſey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building, near the bridge over the Cayuga lake, as and for the gaol of ſaid county," and the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," ſeverally without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Williamſon and Mr. Wood deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have concurred with this Houſe in their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," and have amended the ſame accordingly. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Williams and Williamſon return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Thompſon and Mr. Vail, with the bill, amendment and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate do recede from their reſolution of non-concurrence in the amendment of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act

entitled "An act concerning conveyances by British subjects," and have amended the said bill pursuant to the amendment of this House. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Williams and Mr. Williamson return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Comstock made a motion, That the House should agree to a resolution in the words following, viz.

Resolved, That the act for the encouragement of schools, passed the 9th day of April, 1795, ought to be revived and amended, and that out of the annual revenue arising to this State from its stock and other funds, the sum of 50,000 dollars be annually appropriated for the encouragement of schools for the term of five years; and that leave be given to bring in a bill for the purposes aforesaid.

Mr. Speaker put the question, whether the House did agree to the said resolution, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Ostrom, seconded by Mr. Butler, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Steenback,
Mr. Bull,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamson. 57
Mr. Garnsey,			

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Schermerhor,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Landon,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolsey. 36

Mr. Woolsey, from the committee of the whole House on the bill, entitled "An act to establish a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Salisbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Susquehannah river," reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of the select committee who reported the said bill, of which Mr. Van Rensselaer is chairman.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to establish a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the house of John House, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario," and that the same be committed to a select committee who reported the said bill, of which Mr. Van Rensselaer is chairman.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act con-

cerning the Supreme court," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Everſon, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Henry.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the ſale of certain lands within this State," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, 9 o'Clock A. M. March 26th, 1800.

The bill, entitled "An act relative to town meetings in certain towns therein mentioned," was read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Floyd, Mr. King and Mr. De Witt.

A petttion of William Doughty, relative to a demand againſt the forfeited eſtate of Joſeph Ford, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Waters."

A petition of a number of inhabitants of the county of Waſhington, praying that a law may be paſſed authorizing a ſum of money to be raiſed by lottery for improving a certain road in ſaid county, was read, and referred to the members from the county of Waſhington.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of John Enderſon and others, reported, that the documents accompanying the ſaid petition, contain all the information relative to this claim, which have come to their knowledge, and that theſe do not furniſh ſufficient evidence that they are entitled to relief; it is the opinion of the committee that the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Mr. Garnſey, from the ſelect committee, to whom was referred ſo much of the report of the Regents of the Univerſity, as reſpects Oxford academy, reported a bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. M'Cord, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 21ſt inſt. and the letter accompanying the ſaid meſſage, reported a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That his Excellency the Governor be requeſted to diſpoſe of the copies of the laws of the United States, now in his poſſeſſion, in the following manner, viz.

That he retain for his own uſe, one copy; that he cauſe to be delivered to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Chancellor, the Chief Juſtice and other Judges of the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, the Surveyor-General, the Comptroller and the Secretary of this State, each one copy; to the Clerk of each county, for the uſe of their reſpective counties, one copy; to the Clerk of each town, for the uſe of their reſpective towns, one copy; to the Clerk of the Senate one copy, for each member of the Senate, who is not above provided for; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, one copy for each member of the Aſſembly, who is not above provided for, including the Speaker; to the Clerk of the Senate, for the uſe of the Senate Chamber, two copies; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, for the uſe of the Aſſembly Chamber, four copies, and that the remaining copies be lodged in the office of the Secretary of this State, for the uſe of ſuch towns and counties as may hereafter be erected.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to the ſaid reſolution, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Tibbits, ſeconded by Mr. Riggs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Woolſey. 60

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Teed,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	Mr. Williamſon, 28

Thereupon, *Reſolved* (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That his Excellency the Governor be requeſted to diſpoſe of the copies of laws of the United States, now in his poſſeſſion, in the following manner, viz.

That he retain for his own uſe, one copy; that he cauſe to be delivered to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Chancellor, the Chief Juſtice and other Judges of the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, the Surveyor-General, the Comptroller and the Secretary of this State, each one copy; to the Clerk of each county, for the uſe of their reſpective counties, one copy; to the Clerk of each town, for the uſe of their reſpective towns, one copy; to the Clerk of the Senate, one copy for each member of the Senate, who is not above provided for; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, one copy for each member of the Aſſembly, who is not above provided for, including the Speaker; to the Clerk of the Senate, for the uſe of the Senate Chamber, two copies; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, for the uſe of the Aſſembly Chamber, four copies, and that the remaining copies be lodged in the office of the Secretary of this State, for the uſe of ſuch towns and counties as may hereafter be erected.

Ordered, That Mr. Woolſey and Mr. Adriance, deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Bill, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the commiſſioners of taxes for the county of Albany, reported, That by referring to the 14th ſection of the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes, they find that the ſaid commiſſioners were authorized to perform the duties ſtated in their petition; and it appears that they were induced, by a juſt ſenſe of œconomy, to employ their clerk to perform the ſaid ſervice; and as no proviſion has been made by law to compenſate the clerk for ſuch ſervice, the committee are of opinion, that a clauſe ought to be added to ſome proper bill for the purpoſe aforeſaid.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Evertſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the Supreme court," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill,

entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe ; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Three ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Beeckman, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act relative to the collectors of taxes ;" the bill, entitled " An act requiring ſheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith a bill of fees prior to the commencing any action therefor," and the bill, entitled " An act directing the commiſſioners of the land-office reſpecting land-warrants," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively. The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Beekman, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and to repeal the act therein mentioned," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments were read the ſecond time. All of the ſaid amendments were concurred in, except the laſt amendment, which was not concurred in. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in all their amendments, except the laſt amendment, and do not concur in their ſaid laſt amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Beeckman, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts on the route to Hartford," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Beeckman, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments were read a ſecond time. Some of the ſaid amendments were concurred in, and the conſideration of the other amendments was poſtponed until to-morrow.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Beeckman, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have concurred with this Houſe in their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of ſalmon in certain rivers running into lake Ontario," and alſo in the amendments of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs," and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th February, 1798," and have amended the ſaid bills accordingly. The amended bills having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker return the bills to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of perſons impriſoned in the State-priſon, otherwiſe than for life; for altering the puniſhment for certain offences; for more effectually providing againſt eſcapes from the ſaid priſon, and for other purpoſes reſpecting the ſame;" the bill, entitled "An act in addition to an act, entitled "An act concerning conveyances by Britiſh ſubjects;" the bill, entitled "An act to direct the diſtribution of the money appropriated by law for the encouragement of ſchools in the counties of Orange and Rockland," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Sturges," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Lewis, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act to veſt certain powers in the freeholders and inhabitants of the village of Newburgh;" the bill, entitled "An act concerning the Surveyor-General, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act to continue in force the act, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of pilots and pilotage for the port of New-York, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the ſheriff of the county of Cayuga to occupy a building near the bridge over the Cayuga lake, as and for the gaol of ſaid county;" the bill, entitled "An act to erect part of the counties of Ulſter and Albany into a ſeparate county," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Thurman, and for other purpoſes," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

Mr. Everſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Floyd, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act relative to town-meetings in certain towns therein mentioned," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Kingſbridge, at the city of New-York, to the ferry oppoſite the city of Albany, through the village of Poughkeepſie and the city of Hudſon," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Hen-

ry, Mr. Oothout, Mr. Van Benthuyſen, Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Emott, Mr. Stillwell, Mr. Rockwell, Mr. Williamſon and Mr. A. Smith.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the cordwainers in the city of New-York," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Stillwell, Mr. Swartwout and Mr. Sherred.

Ordered, That Mr. Steenback have leave of abſence for the remainder of the Seſſion.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the goſpel and ſchools, and for the promotion of literature in the military tract, in the county of Onondaga," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Butler, Mr. Wood and Mr. Halſey.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act providing for the ſale of certain lands within this State," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

Mr. Stevens, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act further to improve the military eſtabliſhment of this State, which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Beeckman and Mr. Bronk, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation in the county of Orange," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Beeckman and Mr. Bronk, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to empower James Galloway to erect a dam acroſs Mud-creek, in the county of Ontario, heretofore declared a public highway," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton," ſeverally without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Becker deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock P. M.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

Mr. Swartwout, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," reported that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, a motion was made by Mr. Tibbits that the bill be rejected. That debates were had thereon, and the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Sargent, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Petrie,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Shurtleff,	

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For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryerss,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Everson,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolsey.	35
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,		

Mr. Swartwout reported further progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Garnsey, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Watrous, Mr. Wood and Mr. Comstock.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Henry Mr. Butler and Mr. Riggs.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to prevent frauds by mortgages, and for securing the purchasers of mortgaged estates," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Henry, Mr. M'Cord and Mr. Garnsey.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general sessions of the peace in the county of Rensselaer," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of the members from said county.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the trustees of the village of Lansingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for other purposes therein mentioned," and that the same be committed to the members from the counties of Rensselaer and Saratoga.

Mr. Woolsey, from the committee of the whole House, on the bill entitled "An act granting lands to Theophilus Anthony," reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

Then the House adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thursday, nine o'clock, A. M. March 27th, 1800.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to establish a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Salisbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry, on the Susquehannah river," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to establish a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the House of John House, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the supreme court," was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver the three last mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and request their concurrence to the said bills respectively.

The bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to sell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," with the engrossed amendments, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

The bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy;" the bill, entitled "An act further to improve the military establishment of this State;" the bill, entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes;" the bill, entitled "An act

requiring ſheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith a bill of fees prior to the commencing any action therefor ;" the bill, entitled " An act directing the commiſſioners of the land-office reſpecting land-warrants," and the bill, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation in the county of Orange," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bronk and Mr. Bloom, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act regulating the fees of auctioneers upon the ſale of real property," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the county of Tioga, relative to the place for holding the courts in ſaid county, was read, and referred to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled " An act eſtabliſhing the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace and clerk's office in the county of Tioga, at the village of Owego."

Mr. Shurtleff, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled " An act relative to the duty of the commiſſioners of highways for the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes," and to whom was alſo committed the bill, entitled " An act granting certain powers to the Mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and to repeal a certain ſection of an act therein mentioned," reported, that the committee had gone through the ſaid bills, incorporated the ſame into one, altered the title to " An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned" ; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, purſuant to leave heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled " An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike company," which was read the firſt time; and on the queſtion, that the ſaid bill be ordered a ſecond reading, it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was referred the report of the Surveyor-General, on the petition of John Stedman, reported, the committee from an examination of the ſubject referred to them, find, that John Stedman, about the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty, got poſſeſſion of the ſpot on which his improvements are now ſituated; that having ſoon after met with a great loſs of the property from the Indians of the ſix nations, the chiefs of three nations of Indians gave him as a compenſation, a tract of land conſiſting of 4983 acres, laying on the eaſt ſide of Niagara river; and that the great object of him and his family, for theſe 40 years, has been the improvement of this eſtate, which, ſince that period, he has had uninterrupted poſſeſſion of.

The committee are therefore of opinion, that John Stedman, from every principle of juſtice and equity, is entitled to relief, and the committee requeſt leave to bring in a bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch bill.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled " An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten-Iſland," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Doty and Mr. Savage.

The Houſe proceeded to the further conſideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate, to the bill, entitled " An act to provide for the reviſion of the laws of this State, and for other purpoſes ;" one of the ſaid amendments was to expunge from the title " and for other purpoſes." The ſaid amendments having been again read, were ſeverally concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Becker, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Mr. Henry, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Butler, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill entitled, "An act to amend an act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the goſpel and ſchools, and for the promotion of literature in the military tract in the county of Onondaga," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the conſideration thereof be poſtponed until to-morrow.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Theophilus Anthony," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. M'Cord, Mr. Adriance and Mr. Maſters.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Riggs and Mr. Strong.

Mr. Stillwell, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the cordwainers in the city of New-York," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to the committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Woolſey, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to aſcertain the ſize of apple and cider barrels within this State," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Strong, Mr. J. Smith and Mr. Bogert.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, on Saturday next, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to ſubdivide the four great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts for the election of Senators."

Mr. Tibbits, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on certain reſolutions of the Legiſlature of the State of Vermont reſpecting amendments to the conſtitution of the United States.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, alſo reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act propoſing a convention for reducing the number of members of Aſſembly and Senators in this State."

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain ſtate roads within this State," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr.

Tibbits made a motion that the committee should agree to expunge from the said bill the following clauses, to wit.

And be it further enacted, That Albert Pawling, Ephraim Morgan and Garret Witbeck be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out and improve a public highway, from the ferry, called Marshal's ferry, in the town of Watervliet, to the city of Schenectady, in the county of Albany, with full power to lay out and improve the same, through any improved or unimproved lands, in as direct a line as the nature and situation of the country will admit.

And be it further enacted, That the said public highway, when so laid out, shall be and is hereby declared a free, public highway; and all improved lands, over which such public highway shall be laid out, shall be appraised and paid for, together with all damages to be sustained by the owners of such lands, in the same manner as lands taken for public highways are now by law appraised and paid for.

And be it further enacted, That the managers of the lottery aforesaid, shall pay to the commissioners last above mentioned, out of the neat proceeds of the said lottery, the sum of dollars, to be laid out by them on the highway last above mentioned, in such manner as they, or a majority of them, shall think most conducive to the public good; and the said commissioners shall give bond and account for the money hereby directed to be paid into their hands for the purposes aforesaid, as is provided by the eleventh and twelfth clauses of the act hereby amended.

That the question having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That Mr. Tibbits then made a motion, that the committee should agree to substitute the following in the room of the clauses so expunged, to wit.

And be it further enacted, That Albert Pawling, Ephraim Morgan and Garret Witbeck be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out and improve a public highway, from the ferry called Marshal's ferry, in the town of Watervliet to the city of Schenectady, in the county of Albany, with full power to lay out the same, through any improved or unimproved lands, in as direct a line as the nature and situation of the country will admit; and which said commissioners may contract or agree with the owners of any improved lands over which such highway may be layed out, for the purchase of so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid; and in case of disagreement between the parties, as to the value of such lands, the same shall be determined by appraisement, to be made on the oath of three, or if they disagree, of two indifferent persons, to be mutually chosen; and if the owners of the said lands refuse or neglect to join in the choice then the said appraisers shall be appointed by a majority of the board of superintendants of highways, of the county of the amount of which said appraisement shall be paid by the said commissioners before it shall be lawful for them to lay open and improve the said highway.

And be it further enacted, That the managers of the lottery aforesaid, shall pay to the commissioners last above mentioned, out of the neat proceeds of the said lottery the sum of dollars, to be layed out by them in making and improving the highway last above mentioned, in such manner as they, or a majority of them, shall think most conducive to the public good, provided always that the said company shall not apply any part of the above said sum of money to the payment of any lands purchased or appraised for the said highway, but shall raise, by voluntary contributions, such sum of money as will pay the amount of such purchase or appraisement, and shall not take possession of any lands, and make and improve the said highway, until such lands are purchased or appraised, and paid for in the manner aforesaid.

That the question having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Shurtleff, seconded by Mr. Nice, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Woolſey. 64

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Teed, 19
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sharpe,	

Mr. Stillwell reported further progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

Mr. Comſtock, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſen, widow and relict of John Hanſen, deceaſed, reported, that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. M'Cord made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to reject the ſame; that debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhor,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolley. 69
Mr. Henry,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren. 28

That in proceeding to fill up the blank in the ſaid clauſe, as the amount of annuity to be allowed Mary Hanſen, a motion was made that "one hundred and fifty

dollars" should be inſerted therein; that the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Sargent, ſeconded by Mr. Denton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stilwell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolley. 52

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Perrit,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Wood. 47
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	

That the words "one hundred and fifty dollars," were accordingly inſerted in the ſaid blank.

Mr. Comſtock further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A petition of the preſident and directors of the Bank of Albany, praying that the Manhattan company may be reſtricted from the exerciſe of the powers granted them by act of incorporation, was read, and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Oothout, Mr. Bill, Mr. Ryerſs and Mr. Tibbits.

A petition of Baſtian T. Viſſcher and others, inhabitants of that part of the town of Watervliet called the Colonie, praying a law eſtabliſhing a fire company therein, was read, and referred to Mr. Winne, Mr. Nicoll and Mr. Conine.

Mr. Stilwell, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain great roads within this State," reported further progreſs.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Everſon and Mr. Marvin.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Cazenovia, in the county of Chenango into two towns," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. King, Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Veeder.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, nine o'clock, A. M. March 28th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief Mary Hanſen, widow and relict of John Hanſen, deceaſed," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady," was read the third time,

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Becker deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act regulating the fees of auctioneers upon the ſales of real property," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Jeſſe Oakley and others, inhabitants of the county of Dutcheſs, praying alterations in the "Act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," was read and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill to amend the ſaid act.

A petition of Hugh Hannah and William Hannah, of the city of Schenectady, aliens, was read, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State."

A petition of Daniel Roſſeter and others, of the town of Canaan, praying for relief againſt oppreſſive meaſures of the people called Shaking Quakers, was read, and referred to Mr. Pratt, Mr. Peck and Mr. M'Kown.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the ſuperintendants of the county of Albany, and to raiſe money by tax for altering and repairing the gaol of the city and county of Albany," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. Williams and Mr. Fort.

Mr. M'Cord, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lands to Theophilus Anthony," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Everſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten-Iſland," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Tibbits, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the truſtees of the village of Lanſingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the ſalt ſprings and lot No. 1, in the town of Hannibal," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Butler, Mr. Johnſon and Mr. Thurman.

Mr. Comſtock, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further

consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Woolsey, Mr. Post and Mr. Bogart.

Mr. Snell, moved for and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Christopher W. Fox," which was read the first time, and by unanimous consent was also read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Snell, Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sherwood.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for raising a further sum of money to finish the court-house and gaol in the county of Schoharie," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Becker, Mr. Dietz and Mr. Conine.

Mr. Wood, from the select committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a sum of money due on a contract made by the commissioners of fortifications," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same; which he was directed to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Riggs made a motion, that the House should agree to add a clause to the said bill, which was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Comptroller to draw his warrant on the Treasurer in favour of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York, for the sum of being the amount remaining due and unpaid for services performed and materials found in pursuance of the act entitled "An act for the further defence of this State, and for other purposes," passed the 27th day of August, 1798, and the Treasurer shall pay the same accordingly, out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Debates arose on the said motion, and the question having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comstock, seconded by Mr. Denton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Everson,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Woolsey. 79
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Taber, 8
Mr. Comstock,			

Mr. Riggs then made a motion, that the blank in the said clause should be filled

up with " 12,551; 82-100 dollars;" and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Field, ſeconded by Mr. Burt, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolſey. 59
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Skidmore,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren. 24

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be engroſſed.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That the printer to this State be directed to publiſh for the ſociety for the promotion of agriculture, arts and manufactures, five hundred copies of ſuch of the communications made to the ſaid ſociety, as they may deem moſt conducive to the promotion of the objects of the inſtitution; and that the ſaid printer deliver one of the ſaid copies to each perſon who ſhall be entitled to receive the laws and journals of the Legiſlature of this State; and that the Legiſlature will provide for the paying the expence of printing the ſame.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Butler and Mr. Cantine deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled " An act to amend the act, entitled " An act to aſcertain weights and meaſures within this State," with the amendments therewith delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine, with the bill, amendments, and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate do recede from their amendments to the bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the act therein mentioned."

Ordered, That Mr. Butler and Mr. Cantine deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that the ſame is amended agreeably to the amendments of the Hon. the Senate which were concurred in by this Houſe.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine the bill, entitled " An act to amend an act, entitled " An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts on the route to Hartford."

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Bill deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have concurred in the amendments of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," and have amended the ſame accordingly. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Bill return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bloom and Mr. Cantine, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſtcheſter to Byram," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for the inſpection of flour and meal," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively. The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Senate and Aſſembly will, on Tueſday next, at 12 o'clock, nominate and appoint a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, Eſq. who has reſigned that appointment.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until Monday next.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton, the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the reviſion of the laws of this State."

Ordered, That Mr. Butler and Mr. Cantine deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Riggs, in behalf of Mr. Oothout, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of New-Haerlem, reported, That not having been furniſhed with ſufficient evidence to determine whether all the freeholders and inhabitants do or do not agree in the propoſed diviſion of their common lands, propoſe, that a concurrent reſolution be entered into, authorizing the petitioners to preſent a bill to either Houſe, at the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, for the purpoſe mentioned in their petition; they firſt advertiſing in two of the public newſpapers printed in the city of New-York, for eight weeks previous to the next ſeſſion, which report was agreed to by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That Samuel Bradhurſt and others, freeholders and inhabitants of the townſhip of New-Haerlem, in the city and county of New-York, have leave to preſent a bill to either Houſe of the Legiſlature, at the next meeting thereof, for the partition or diſpoſition of their common lands; they firſt giving notice of their intention to preſent ſuch bill by advertiſement, to be inſerted in at leaſt two of the public newſpapers printed in the city of New-York, for eight weeks previous to the next meeting of the Legiſlature.

Ordered, That Mr. Butler and Mr. Cantine, deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. King, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Cazenovia in the county of Chenango," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſeph Fiſh," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Gray, Mr. Poſt and Mr. Wattles.

Mr. Snell, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Chriſtopher W. Fox," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Becker, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the goſpel and ſchools and for the promotion of literature in the military tract in the county of Onondaga," which bill was yeſterday reported upon by the ſelect committee to whom the ſame was committed. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the ſaid bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain great roads within this State," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Riggs, purſuant to notice heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend an act, entitled "An act for ſupplying the city of New-York with pure and wholeſome water," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Williamſon, according to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stedman," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon.

4 *o'Clock, P. M.*

Reſolved, That the conſideration of the reſolution, and bill, propoſing a convention for amending certain articles in the conſtitution of this State, be poſtponed until the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the reſolutions of the Legiſlature of Vermont propoſing amendments to the conſtitution of the United States, be poſtponed until Monday next.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Adriance, Mr. Maſters, Mr. Savage and Mr. A. Smith.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act granting lands to William Gray," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Savage, Mr. Sammons and Mr. Verbryck.

Mr. Doty, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Everſon and Mr. Garnſey.

Mr. Gray, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſeph Fiſh," reported, that the committee had gone thro' the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Henry, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the preſident and directors of the bank of Albany, reported, that a bank, with an unlimited capital and an unreſtrained right to apply that capital in any monied tranſactions in any place within this State, may not only be productive of miſchievous effects to other banks, but to the general intereſts of the community.

That as there are doubts entertained whether the act inſtituting the manhatten company, confers rights of this dangerous tendency, it will, in the opinion of the committee, be expedient to paſs a law declaratory of the extent of the rights veſted in the preſident and directors of the manhatten company, and reſtrictive of their exerciſe in ſuch way as to prevent any injury to incorporations of a ſimilar nature, or to the public.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid report be poſtponed until to-morrow.

At a quarter paſt ſix o'clock, Mr. Clark made a motion that the Houſe ſhould adjourn. And the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Everſon, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Humſrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schaneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Rown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. Hall,			

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For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Savage,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Verbryck,

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Mr. Riggs, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," alſo of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation in the county of Orange," and of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Alford, in the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, to interſect the poſt road from Albany to New-York near the houſe of Nathan Deyo, in the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia," and that the ſaid ſeveral bills be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Snell, Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Hallett, Mr. Shurtleff, Mr. M'Intyre, Mr. Veeder, Mr. Oſtrom and Mr. Sherred.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for granting relief to certain inhabitants in the town of Harpersfield relative to quit-rents, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Lamb, Mr. Marvin and Mr. Sherred.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, nine o'clock, A. M. March 29th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications, and for other purpoſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Chriſtopher W. Fox," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act authorizing the truſtees of the village of Lanſingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act authorizing a grant of land to Theophilus Anthony," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act for opening and improving certain great roads within this State," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joſeph Fiſh," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to divide the town of Cazenovia in the county of Chenango," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act relative to the lots of land reſerved for the ſupport of the Goſpel and ſchools, and for the promotion of literature in the military tract in the county of Onondaga," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga, paſſed 30th March, 1798, and to amend "An act for laying out part of lot No. 1, in the town of Hannibal in the county of Onondaga into lots, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſed 3d day of April, 1797," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Denton and Mr. De Witt, deliver the thirteen laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten-Iſland," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Denton and Mr. De Witt, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſtcheſter to Byram;" the bill entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the inſpection of flour and meal;" the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for ſupplying the city of New-York with pure and wholeſome water," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stedman," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of Chriſtian Klock and others, inhabitants of the county of Montgomery, remonſtrating againſt eſtabliſhing a turnpike road on the north ſide of the Mohawk river, was read, and committed to the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company."

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from any further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſtcheſter to Byram," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Oothout, Mr. A. Smith, Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Comb and Mr. E. Gilbert.

Ordered, That the report of the committee on the petition of the preſident and directors of the bank of Albany, be committed to a committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for ſupplying the city of New-York with pure and wholeſome water."

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Benſon, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council, that the bill, entitled "An act to empower James Galloway to erect a dam acroſs Mud creek in the county of Ontario, heretofore declared a public highway;" the bill, entitled "An act complying with the act of congreſs reſpecting balances reported againſt certain ſtates by the commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts between the United States and the ſeveral ſtates;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a further ſum of money to be raiſed for repairing the court houſe in the county of Herkemer;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Johnſton;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Clinton, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the city of Hudſon to the line of Maſſachuſetts on the route to Hartford;" the bill, entitled "An act making proviſion for the reviſion of the laws of this State," and the bill, entitled "An act granting certain powers to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty

of the city of Schenectady, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," ſhould reſpectively become laws of this State.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Foote, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Secretary of this State be directed to cauſe the act, entitled "An act relative to town-meetings in certain towns therein mentioned," to be printed for three weeks ſucceſſively in the paper printed by the printer to this State.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Doty and Mr. Emott deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Foote, was read, That the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their reſolution, that the Legiſlature will adjourn on the firſt day of April next.

Three ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Foote, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to grant the lands therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act relating to the Oneida tribe of Indians," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hartdwick," and requeſting the concurrence of this Houſe to the ſaid bills reſpectively. The ſaid bills were ſeverally read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to aſcertain weights and meaſures within this State." The bill and amendments were read. Some of the ſaid amendments were concurred in, and others not concurred in by this Houſe. Therenpon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in ſuch of of their amendments to the ſaid bill as are for that purpoſe particularly deſignated in the margin of the ſaid amendments, and do concur in their other amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Denton and Mr. De Witt deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Foote and Mr. Frey, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State-road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Geneva, in the county of Ontario," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read. One of the amendments was to expunge from the title the word "*Geneva*," and to inſert "*Canandarqua*." And the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Dietz and Mr. Doty deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

A meſſage from the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Coles and Mr. Foote, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury, in the State of Connecticut, to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Dietz and Mr. Doty deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," reported progreſs, and obtained leave to ſit again.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Foote and Mr. Frey, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Legiſlature will adjourn on Monday the ſeventh day of April next.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until Wedneſday next.

Mr. Savage, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act granting lands to William Gray," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Strong, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to aſcertain the ſize of apple and cider barrels within this State," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Comſtock, purſuant to leave heretofore given, moved for and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to revive and amend the act for the encouragement of ſchools," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Shurtleff, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money by tax to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany, and for other purpoſes," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Deborah Kiſſam," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Riggs and Mr. M'Kown.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the culling of ſtaves and heading," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Woolſey, Mr. De Witt, Mr. Conine, Mr. Schermerhorn and Mr. Tibbits.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill, entitled "An act relative to town-meetings in certain towns therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning ſheriffs, and the ſervice and return of proceſs, and the act, entitled "An act concerning coroners, paſſed the 24th of February, 1798;" the bill, entitled "An act for the preſervation of ſalmon in certain rivers running into lakes Ontario, Erie and Champlain," and the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to ſell certain vacant lands in the counties of Orange and Rockland," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

Mr. Bill, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act to ſub-divide the four great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts for the election of Senators," reported, that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. Maſters made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to a reſolution, which was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (as the ſenſe of this committee,) That the conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to ſub-divide the four great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts for the election of Senators," be poſtponed until the next meeting of the Legiſlature.

That the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree to the ſaid reſolution, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Savage, ſeconded by Mr. Gray, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren. 47
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey. 46
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,		

That a motion was then made, that the committee ſhould agree to reconſider their ſaid laſt deciſion.

That Mr. M'Intyre moved the previous queſtion on the ſaid motion, to wit, ſhall the main queſtion be now put, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Intyre, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 48

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren, 47
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	

That the queſtion was then put on the motion for reconſidering the deciſion on the ſaid reſolution, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Savage, ſeconded by Mr. M'Intyre, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom.	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 41

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr, Sharp,	Mr. Warren, 47
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	

That the queſtion was then put, whether the committee did agree to the ſaid reſolution, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Comſtock, ſeconded by Mr. Burt, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed.
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred.	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey.	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff.	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 48

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Peck.	Mr Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren, 47
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to ſub-divide the four great diſtricts of this State into further diſtricts for the election of Senators," be poſtponed until the next meeting of the Legiſlature.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock on Monday morning.

Monday, nine o'clock, A. M. March 31ſt, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to authoriſe a grant of land to William Gray," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money by tax to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Doty and Mr. Emott deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hardtwick;" the bill, entitled "An act relating to the Oneida tribe of Indians," and the bill, entitled "An act directing the Surveyor-General to grant the lands therein mentioned," were ſeverally read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The order of the day having been read,

Mr. Johnſon made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the conſideration of the reſolutions of the Legiſlature of Vermont, propoſing amendments to the conſtitution of the United States," be poſtponed till the next meeting of the Legiſlature.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid reſolution be poſtponed until Saturday next.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate of the 29th inſt. that the Legiſlature will adjourn on Monday the ſeventh day of April next.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Doty and Mr. Emott deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the reſolution of the Hon. the Senate of the 29th inſt. that the Senate and Aſſembly will, on Tueſday next, nominate and appoint a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of James Watſon, Eſq.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the Senate and Aſſembly will, on Thurſday next, at 12 o'clock, nominate and appoint a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, Eſq. who has reſigned that appointment.

Ordered, That Mr. Doty and Mr. Emott deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stedman," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Williamſon, Mr. Savage and Mr. Meyer.

Three ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Frey and Mr. Ganſevoort, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned were read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſen, widow and relict of John Hanſen, deceaſed;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concerning the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga, paſſed 30th March, 1798," and to amend an act for laying out part of lot No. 1, in the town of Hannibal, in the county of Onondaga, into lots, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſed 3d April, 1797," and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others," ſeverally without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Field and Mr. Floyd deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Frey and Mr. Ganſevoort, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Evertſon and Mr. Field deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Mr. Strong, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, and after the ſame had been read in the committee, the firſt enacting clauſe thereof was again read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That if any perſon now in priſon, or who may be hereafter imprisoned, on meſne proceſs or execution iſſued from any court in this State, in any civil ſuit or action, ſhall complain to any judge of the court of common pleas of the county where ſuch priſoner ſhall be committed, or to any juſtice of the ſupreme court of this State, if ſuch juſtice ſhall reſide within ſuch county, that he or ſhe hath no eſtate real or perſonal above the ſum of dollars wherewith to ſupport himſelf or herſelf in priſon, or to pay priſon charges, and ſhall requeſt the privilege and benefit preſcribed by this act, then, and in ſuch caſe, it is hereby made the duty of ſuch judge or juſtice to attend at the place where ſuch priſoner may be confined, and on ſuch day as may be requeſted by ſuch priſoner, and if it ſhall appear to ſuch judge or juſtice that days previous notice thereof has been given by ſuch priſoner to the creditor or creditors at whoſe ſuit or ſuits he or ſhe may be ſo confined, or to his, her or their attorney, if ſuch creditor or attorney may be living within this State, then it ſhall and may be proper for the ſaid judge or juſtice, at his diſcretion, to adminiſter to ſuch priſoner the following oath or affirmation: I A. B. do ſolemnly ſwear (or affirm) that I have not any eſtate real or perſonal above the value of dollars in poſſeſſion, remainder or reverſion wherewith to ſupport myſelf in priſon, or to pay priſon charges; and that I have not, ſince the commencement of the ſuit whereupon I ſtand charged, or at any other time, directly or indirectly ſold, leaſed, or otherwiſe conveyed or diſpoſed of to, or intruſted any perſon or perſons whomſoever with all or any part of the eſtate real or perſonal whereof I have been the lawful owner or poſſeſſor, with any intent or deſign to ſecure the ſame, or to receive or expect any profit or advantage therefor, or have cauſed or ſuffered to be done any thing elſe whatſoever whereby any of my creditors may be wronged or defrauded. Which oath or affirmation being ſo adminiſtered and taken, and a certificate thereof made under the hand and ſeal of the ſaid judge or juſtice to the keeper of ſuch priſoner, he ſhall thereupon ſet ſuch priſoner at liberty if he or ſhe is not confined on any criminal proceſs.

That debates were had on the ſaid clauſe, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood, 54
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey, 38
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,		

That in proceeding further in the ſaid bill, another clauſe thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That whenever any perſon who now is, or hereafter ſhall be confined on execution, and ſhall neglect to preſent his or her petition, and to conform to the directions of this act, it ſhall and may be lawful for the perſon or perſons at whoſe ſuit or ſuits ſuch priſoner is confined, being a creditor or creditors to the value of or ſuch other creditor or creditors whoſe debt or debts ſhall amount to to prefer a petition to ſuch judge or juſtice, praying that ſuch debtor may be compelled to make a diſcovery and aſſignment of all his or her property for the benefit of his or her creditors. Whereupon the ſaid judge or juſtice, if it ſhall be made to appear on oath or affirmation to his ſatisfaction that ſuch debtor is juſtly and truly indebted to ſuch petitioner or petitioners, ſhall require ſuch debtor to be brought before him on ſuch day and at ſuch place as he may appoint by a warrant under his hand and ſeal directed to the ſheriff of ſuch county or keeper of the gaol in which ſuch debtor may be confined. And ſuch ſheriff or gaoler is hereby commanded to obey the ſame. And if the ſaid debtor at ſuch time and place ſhall refuſe or neglect, on being requeſted by ſuch judge or ſuch juſtice, to exhibit ſuch inventory and account, and to make ſuch aſſignment as are required in the ſecond ſection of this act, the ſaid judge or juſtice ſhall proceed to appoint aſſignees as aforeſaid, who are hereby declared to be by virtue of ſuch appointment forthwith veſted with all the eſtate real and perſonal of which ſuch debtor was poſſeſſed immediately preceding their appointment, as abſolutely and for the ſame purpoſes, as though ſuch debtor had made application and aſſignment by virtue of this act, and the ſaid judge or juſtice, or the aſſignees ſo appointed, are hereby empowered to examine ſuch debtor or any other perſon on oath, touching any matter relative to the eſtate of ſuch debtor or property ſo aſſigned or veſted. And if ſuch debtor or any other perſon ſhall refuſe to ſubmit to ſuch examination, or to anſwer to ſuch queſtion as ſhall be ſo put to him or her on oath, then the ſaid judge or juſtice, or the aſſignees ſo appointed, are hereby authorized by warrant under his or their hand and ſeal forthwith to commit ſuch perſon in the gaol in ſuch county, till he or ſhe ſhall make ſuch anſwers on oath as may be required. Provided nevertheleſs, that if ſuch debtor ſhall comply with the duties required of him by this clauſe he ſhall be entitled to a diſcharge in the ſame manner as though he had complied with the ſecond clauſe of this act.

That debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, the Houſe being equally divided, the chairman gave the caſting vote in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Van Renſſelaer, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Coning,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Dory,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,	
Mr. Emort,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Woolſey.	40

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Snell,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood,	40

Chairman in the negative.

That a motion was then made that the committee ſhould agree to reconſider their deciſion on the laſt mentioned queſtion, which was carried in the affirmative.

That the queſtion was then put whether the committee did agree to the ſaid laſt mentioned clauſe, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Henry, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood. 45
Mr. A. Gilbert,			

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey. 40

Mr. Strong further reported, that after the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the title, the queſtion was put whether the committee did agree to the bill as amended, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Woolſey, ſeconded by Mr. Riggs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Doty,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wood. 41

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 40

Which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place,

and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the culling of ſtaves and heading," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Lamb, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for granting relief to certain inhabitants in the town of Harpersfield, relative to quit-rents," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That a committee of the Senate and Aſſembly be appointed to take into conſideration the report of the ſuperintendant of the ſalt ſprings, and report their opinion thereon by bill or otherwiſe, and in caſe of ſuch concurrence, that Mr. Butler, Mr. Norton, Mr. Fort, Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. Field be of the ſaid committee on the part of this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Emott and Mr. Field deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act requiring ſheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith a bill of fees prior to the commencing any action therefor," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Thomas, Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Schermerhorn.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for the inſpection of flour and meal," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Woolſey, Mr. Emott, and Mr. Tinkham.

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act for the inſpection of flour and meal," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the laws concerning the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will, to-morrow, again reſolve itſelf into a committee of the whole Houſe on the ſaid laſt mentioned bill.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, nine o'clock, A. M. April 1ſt, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to re-

gulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the culling of ſtaves and heading," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for granting relief to certain inhabitants in the town of Harpersfield relative to quit-rents," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of debtors in priſon," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Woolſey, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom.	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey.	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sharp,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wood, 47
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Woolſey, 39
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Everſon and Mr. Field deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the inſpection of flour and meal," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Everſon and Mr. Field deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

A petition of a number of inhabitants of the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga, relative to erecting a bridge acroſs Hudſon's River, near Baker's Falls, was read, and referred to Mr. Thomas, Mr. Comſtock and Mr. Warren.

A petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, praying a diviſion of the firſt ward of the ſaid city into two wards, was read and referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Bill and Mr. Shurtleff.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the town of Romulus, in the county of Cayuga, relative to a road in ſaid county, was read and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe, when on the bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act entitled "An act to regulate highways."

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of the town of Kingſborough in the county of Montgomery, relative to a glebe lot in ſaid town, was read, and referred to the committee to whom was referred the petition of Adam Plank and others.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the State priſon ware houſe," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Stillwell, Mr. Swartwout and Mr. Sherred.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stedman," reported, that the committee bad gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, was read, that the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſolution relative to appointing a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of James Watſon, Eſquire.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, was read, that the Senate do concnr with this Houſe in their reſolution, granting leave to Samuel Bradhurſt and others, inhabitants of New-Haerlem, to preſent a bill to either Houſe of the Legiſlature, at their next ſeſſion, for the purpoſes in their petition ſet forth.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, was read, that the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their reſolution, relative to the diſtribution of certain laws of the United States.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That his Excellency the Governor be requeſted to diſpoſe of the copies of the laws of the United States, now in his poſſeſſion, in the following manner:

That he retain one copy for his own uſe; that he cauſe to be delivered to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Chancellor, the Chief Juſtice and other Judges of the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General, the Surveyor-General, the Comptroller and the Secretary of this State, each one copy; to each Aſſiſtant-Attorney-General (not members of the Legiſlature) one copy; to the Clerk of each county, for the uſe of their reſpective counties, one copy; to the Clerks of each town, for the uſe of their reſpective towns, one copy; to the Clerk of the Senate one copy, for each member of the Senate; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, one copy for each member; to the Clerk of the Senate, for the uſe of the Senate Chamber, two copies; to the Clerk of the Houſe of Aſſembly, for the uſe of the Aſſembly, four copies; to the Clerks of the Senate and Aſſembly, each one copy, and the remaining copies be lodged in the office of the Secretary of this State, for the uſe of ſuch towns and counties as may hereafter be erected.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Floyd and Mr. Fort, deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to avoid unneceſſary delays of executions and to repeal the act therein mentioned," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Gilliland, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Ganſevoort and Mr. Gettman the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon, to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the act therein mentioned," and alſo the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike road company for improving the State road from the houſe of John Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayuga, in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Canandarqua, in the county of Ontario."

Ordered, That Mr. Gray and Mr. Hall deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Mr. Wood, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Reſolved, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act regulating the fees of auctioneers upon the ſale of real property," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Riggs, Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Burt.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to enable the Chancellor for the time being to ſue and be ſued in chancery," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. King and Mr. Evertſon.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act repealing part of the fourth ſection of the act entitled "An act to reduce the laws concerning coſts into one ſtatute," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. E. Gilbert, Mr. Henry and Mr. Garnſey.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act directing the commiſſioners of the Land-office reſpecting land warrants," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Comſtock and Mr. Myer.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act relating to the Oneida tribe of Indians," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Oſtrom, Mr. Johnſon and Mr. Skidmore.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee, conſiſting of Mr. Hall, Mr. Oothout and Mr. Bill.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the petition of the collectors of taxes in the city of New-York, and that the ſame be committed to the ſaid laſt mentioned committee.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Gettman and Mr. Gold, with the amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate had paſſed the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications," with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. A. Gilbert and Mr. E. Gilbert, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hardtwick," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wooſley, Mr. Dietz and Mr. Sherwood.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Solomon Simpſon and Henry Remſen," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Teed, Mr. Poſt and Mr. A. Gilbert.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to

raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Ryerſs, Mr. Sharpe and Mr. Denton.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to prevent duelling," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Strong and Mr. Savage.

Mr. Stillwell, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the State priſon ware houſe," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Bill, in behalf of Mr. Henry, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of Albany, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled "An act for dividing the firſt ward of the city of Albany," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Henry, Mr. Bill and Mr. Shurtleff.

Reſolved, That this Houſe, after deciding on the bills which have already been under diſcuſſion in a committee of the whole, will proceed to diſcuſs and decide upon the bills from the Hon. the Senate (which now are, or hereafter, during the preſent ſeſſion, may come in this Houſe) before going into committee upon any other bill.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act for laying out a public road from Cherry-Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Butler, Mr. Halſey and Mr. Peck.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Mr. Shurtleff, in behalf of Mr. Henry, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act for dividing the firſt ward of the city of Albany," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike company in the county of Orange," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe; and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving and making a road from the town of Alford, in the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, to interſect the poſt road from Albany to New-York, near the houſe of Nathan Deyo, in the town of Kinderhook, in the county of Columbia," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he

was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and d livered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read: Thereupon,

Ordered, That the further conſideration thereof be poſtponed until the next ſe ſion of the Legiſlature.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Stedman," was re the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. A. Gilbert and Mr. E. Gilbert deliver the bill to the Ho the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haig with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate ha paſſed the bill, entitled "An act further to amend an act, entitled "An act to r gulate buildings in certain limits of the city of Albany," with the amendments ther with delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed until t morrow.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Graham and M Haight, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Sena have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concer ing the ſupreme court," with the amendments thereswith delivered.

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed until t morrow.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. M Juſtice Kent, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council, that th bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Horton and others;" the bill, ent tled "An act for the relief of Mary Hanſon, widow and relict of John Hanſon, d ceaſed;" the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for im proving and making a road from the town of Saliſbury in the ſtate of Connecticu to Wattles's ferry on the Suſquehannah river;" the bill, entitled "An act to eſtab liſh a turnpike road company for improving the State road from the houſe of Joh Houſe, in the village of Utica, in the county of Oneida, to the village of Cayug in the county of Cayuga, and from thence to Canadarqua, in the county of Ont rio," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act concernin the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga, paſſed the 30th March, one thouſan ſeven hundred and ninety-eight," and to amend an act for laying out part of lo number one, in the town of Hannibal, in the county of Onondaga, into lots, an for other purpoſes therein mentioned, paſſed third day of April, one thouſand ſev en hundred and ninety-ſeven," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "A act to explain and amend the laws for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," re ported, that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. Bill made a motion that the com mittee ſhould agree to re-conſider a clauſe thereof which had been agreed to by th committee, which clauſe is in the words following, viz.

"And be it further enacted, That the aſſeſſors ſhall ſet down in the column o ſpecific articles the following, viz. Each attorney or counſellor at law (the lea practitioner) at dollars, and larger practitioners higher in proportion each phyſician or ſurgeon (the leaſt practitioner) at dollars, and others i proportion, at the diſcretion of the aſſeſſors."

That the queſtion having been put on the ſaid motion, it was carried in the af firmative.

That Mr. Bill then made a motion that the ſaid clauſe ſhould be expunged; tha debates were had, and the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative; that the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Peck, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Bill,	Mr Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Halley,	Mr. Oftrom,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poft,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingfton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conihe,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Rofeboom,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williamfon, 51
Mr. Evertfon,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Sharpe,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnfon,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comftock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous. 28

Mr. Wood reported further progrefs and obtained leave to fit again.

The bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," with the engrofled amendments, was read the third time.

Refolved, That the bill do pafs.

Ordered, That Mr. Burnet and Mr. Burt deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houfe have paffed the bill, with the amendments therewith delivered.

Mr. Thomas, from the felect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act requiring fheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith, a bill of fees prior to the commencing an action therefor," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the fame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houfe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the fame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houfe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. E. Gilbert, from the felect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act repealing part of the fourth fection of the act entitled "an act to reduce the laws concerning coffs into one ftatute," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the fame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houfe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the fame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houfe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Oftrom, from the felect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act relating to the Oneida tribe of Indians," reported that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the fame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houfe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the fame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houfe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Van Renffelaer, from the felect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to enable the chancellor to fue and be fued in chancery," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the fame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houfe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the fame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houfe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred the petition of John Livingfton, in behalf of himfelf and others, reported, That by the act, entitled "An act fupplementary to the act entitled "An act authorizing the Surveyor-General to afcertain the eaftern boundary line of the lands ceded by this State to the Commonwealth of

Maſſachuſetts, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," paſſed the 6th April, 1796, the commiſſioners of the land-office were directed to give in retribution of any lands granted under the great ſeal of this State to the weſtward of the Maſſachuſetts pre-emption line, ſuch part of the unappropriated lands deſignated in the ſaid act as they, in their diſcretion, ſhould deem juſt and equitable; that by a reſolution of the commmiſſioners of the land-office, Simeon De Witt and ſuch perſon as he ſhould aſſociate with himſelf on behalf of this State, and Nathaniel Norton and William Stewart, by the nomination, and on behalf of the petitioner, and Edward Livingſton, were appointed to appraiſe the value of 16,000 acres of land owned by the petitioner and Edward Livingſton, to the weſtward of the pre-emption line, and the value of the lands intended to be granted in retribution therefor.

That ſuch appraiſement has accordingly been made, and the commiſſioners of the land-office have determined on the quantity of land to be granted in retribution.

That the appraiſement was indiſpenſibly neceſſary to do juſtice to the rights of the State and of the claimants.

That the accounts of the appraiſers on the part of the petitioner and Edward Livingſton, amount to 575 dols. 34 cts.

As the petitioner and Edward Livingſton were deprived of their lands granted by this State, in conſequence of the ceſſion made to the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, juſtice demanded that they ſhould receive a full indemnity. The expences of the appraiſers having ariſen in order fairly to aſcertain this indemnity, I am of opinion that their reaſonable charges ſhould be defrayed by the State.

All which is reſpectfully ſubmitted.

JOHN V. HENRY, *Comptroller.*

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the Comptroller in his report.

Ordered, That the ſaid report be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Garnſey, Mr. Butler and Mr. Gilliland.

Mr. Butler, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for laying out a public road from Cherry-valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake," reported that the committee had gone through the bill, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Wedneſday, nine o'Clock A. M. April 2d, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to divide the firſt ward of the city of Albany," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act to regulate the State-priſon ware-houſe," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for laying a road from Cherry-valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Gilliland deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation in the county of Orange," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act requiring ſheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith a bill of fees prior to the commencing any action therefor," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried, in the affirmative. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act repealing part of the fourth ſection of the act, entitled "An act to reduce the laws concerning coſts into one ſtatute," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act relating to the Oneida tribe of Indians," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act to enable the Chancellor to ſue and be ſued in Chancery," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. E. Gilbert and Mr. Gilliland deliver the five laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the ſame, ſeverally without amendment.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Paul Worden, reported, That the only information which they have received is contained in the ſaid petition, and that this is not ſufficient to ſubſtantiate the claim which is made for a proportion of unappropriated lands ſet apart as bounty lands for the uſe of the troops of this State. It is the opinion of the committee that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Woolſey, from the committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of Peter D. Schuyler, reported, That from the information before them it appears that the claim of the petitioner is againſt the forfeited eſtate of Sir John Johnſon, for a balance due as early as the year 1758, from the eſtate of Sir William Johnſon, deceaſed. Although this claim is of a doubtful nature, yet it having been ſtated to the committee that ſome important vouchers could not be procured in ſeaſon to lay before them, it is their opinion, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr. Teed, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Solomon Simſon and Henry Remſen," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Hall, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Ontario," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time and ordered a ſecond reading.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act confirming certain acts of Ebenezer Wood, deputy ſheriff of Rockland county," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the conſideration of the ſaid laſt-mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Blake and Mr. M'Cord.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield, with the bill, amendments, and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do not concur with this Houſe in their amendments to the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company." The bill and amendments were read and conſidered, and the amendments having been read and re-conſidered, a motion was made that the Houſe ſhould recede from their ſaid amendments; and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative. The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Snell, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Roſebcom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous, 46
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Oſtrom,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood. 39
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Strong,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do adhere to their amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Hallett and Mr. Halſey deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution, to the Hon. the Senate.

The Hon. the Senate returned, by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield, the bill entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court-houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie, and for other purpoſes," and the bill entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications, and for other purpoſes."

Ordered, That Mr. Halſey and Mr. Henry deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act to veſt in the United States the title to certain lands on Staten Iſland," ſhould become a law of this ſtate.

Mr. Henry, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Kingſbridge, at the city of New-York, to the ferry oppoſite the city of Albany, through the village of Poughkeepſie and the city of Hudſon," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, filled up the blanks, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act concerning the supreme court." The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been again read, were severally concurred in by the House, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Halsey and Mr. Henry deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this House have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the same is amended accordingly.

Mr. Wood, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act directing the commissioners of the land-office respecting land warrants," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the House, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Ryers, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act for raising a fund to defray the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the same, which he was directed to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed.

A message from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have passed the bill, entitled "An act authorizing Warren Ferris to build a toll bridge over Hudson's river at Glen's falls, between the counties of Washington and Saratoga," with the amendments therewith delivered.

Ordered, That the consideration of the said amendments be postponed.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, the bill, entitled "An act to avoid unnecessary delays of executions, and to repeal the act therein mentioned."

Ordered, That Mr. Halsey and Mr. Henry deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Revision.

A copy of a resolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, was read, that the Senate do concur with this House in their resolution of the 31st ult. that a joint committee of the Senate and Assembly be appointed to take into consideration the report of the superintendant of the salt springs, and that Mr. Gold, Mr. Sanger and Mr. Kent, be of the said committee on the part of the Senate.

A copy of a resolution of the Hon. the Senate, also delivered by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Resolved (if the Hon. the Assembly concur herein,) That the commissary of military stores may, in his discretion, receive into the arsenals of this State, any military stores belonging to the United States, for the purpose of safe keeping the same.

Resolved, That this House do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their said preceding resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Halsey and Mr. Henry deliver a copy of the preceding resolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Mr. Winne, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of that part of the town of Watervliet, called the Colonie, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for better extinguishing fires in that part of the town of Watervliet therein mentioned," which was read the first time, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Tinkham, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of the commissioners of taxes for the county of Tioga, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act relative to the commissioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," which was read the first time, and by unanimous consent was also read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Tinkham, Mr. Lamb and Mr. Landon.

Mr. Henry, from the committee, to whom was referred the meſſage of his Excellency the Governor of the 17th ult. reported, that it is doubtful whether the act "further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office," paſſed at the preſent ſeſſion, authorized the adminiſtration of the oath of office to him, or taking the bond for the faithful performance of his duties after the firſt day of March laſt. They have, therefore, prepared a bill amending the ſaid act, and have directed him to move for leave to bring in the ſame; leave being given, Mr. Henry brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office," which was read the firſt time; and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid laſt mentioned bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Henry, Mr. Evertſon and Mr. Riggs.

Mr. Evertſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act confirming certain acts of Ebenezer Wood, deputy ſheriff of Rockland county," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe, and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Gilliland, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Platt and others, reported, that the petitioners are deſirous to eſtabliſh an academy in the county of Clinton, and that they have not been able to ſucceed in raiſing ſufficient money for that purpoſe by ſubſcription, and that their only reſource is in legiſlative liberality. The committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petition for ſo laudable an object ought to be granted, and that leave ſhould be given to bring in a clauſe to be added to ſome proper bill for that purpoſe.

Ordered, That leave be given accordingly.

Mr. Tinkham, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act relative to the commiſſioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Henry, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office, paſſed the fifteenth of February, 1800," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the law for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," reported, that Mr. Humfrey made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the bill in the words following, viz.

Whereas very great expence has ariſen to this State by appointing commiſſioners to ſuperintend the collection of taxes by the law paſſed the day of

Be it further enacted, That all the powers given to the commiſſioners of taxes in and by ſaid act hereby directed, ſhall be veſted in the ſuperviſors of the ſeveral counties in this State, and as much of the ſaid act as relates to the ſaid commiſſioners, and ſuch part of the ſaid act as provides for the compenſation of the Aſſeſſors for their ſervices, ſhall be and hereby is repealed.

That the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Schuneman, ſeconded by Mr. Johnſon, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sharpe,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Snell,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous.	45
Mr. De Witt,				

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr Gray,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,	
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey.	39
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Stevens,		

Mr. Wood further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to prevent horſe-racing," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Savage, Mr. Johnſon, Mr. Stillwell, Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Landon.

Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the Houſe ſhould adjourn.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion thereon, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and are as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Snell,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Strong,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber.	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. King,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wood,	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Woolſey.	64

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Teed,	Mr. Winne,	24

Mr. Van Renſſelaer, in behalf of Mr. Doty, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, a motion was made to expunge a clauſe thereof, which is in the words following, viz. And that until

ſuch requiſition ſhall be complied with, no ſuch veſſel ſhall have a permit to proceed to the city of New-York. And that every maſter or perſon having the charge of a veſſel ſo circumſtanced, neglecting or refuſing to comply with ſuch requiſition, ſhall be conſidered guilty of a miſdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, be fined in a ſum not exceeding 200 dollars, or be impriſoned for a time not exceeding three calendar months, by any court having cognizance thereof.

That the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Cord, ſeconded by Mr. Halſey, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Oſtrom.	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren, 41

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolſey, 33
Mr. Hallet,			

Mr. Van Renſſelaer further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thurſday, nine o'Clock, A. M. April 3d, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act further to continue the Treaſurer of this ſtate in office," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "an act to raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act relative to the commiſſioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act entitled "an act to amend an act entitled "an act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Halſey and Mr. Henry deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The bill entitled "An act directing the commiſſioners of the land-office reſpecting land warrants," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Solomon Simſon and Henry Remſen," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill entitled "An act confirming certain acts of Ebenezer Wood, deputy ſheriff of Rockland county," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Halſey and Mr. Henry deliver the three laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bills ſeverally without amendment.

The bill entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkimer and Mr. Humfrey deliver the bill, with the amendments, to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill, with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill entitled "An act for the better extinguiſhing fires in that part of the town of Water-Vliet therein mentioned," was read the ſecond time, and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Ryerſs made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the reſpective aſſiſtant attornies general ſhall be, and hereby are entitled to receive a copy of the laws paſſed at each ſeſſion of the Legiſlature of this ſtate, in the ſame manner as the attorney-general and members of the Legiſlature are entitled to receive the ſame.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did agree to the ſaid reſolution, and it paſſed in the negative.

Mr. Savage, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to prevent horſe racing," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read; and on the queſtion whether the houſe did agree with the committee in their ſaid report, it was carried in the affirmative. The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Ryerſs, ſeconded by Mr. Livingſton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Garnſey.	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed.
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Renſselaer,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Woolſey. 80

For the Negative.

Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Winne. 16

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Henry, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act to prevent frauds by mortgages, and for ſecuring the purchaſers of mortgaged eſtates," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to prevent duelling," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences," reported progreſs and obtained leave to ſit again.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Kent, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been again read, were ſeverally concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkimer and Mr. Humfrey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Hitchcock, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments being read, and the amendments being read a ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Halſey and Mr. Henry, deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in the amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Four ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, alſo received by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Hitchcock, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money by tax to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act for dividing the firſt ward of the city of Albany;" the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city," and the bill, entitled "An act for laying a road from Cherry-Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake," ſeverally without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry and Mr. Herkimer deliver the ſaid four bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Hitchcock, with the bill, amendments, and a reſolution therein mentioned, that the Senate do recede from their reſolution of non-concurrence to the amendment of this Houſe to the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk and turnpike bridge company," and that they do concur in the ſaid amendment, and that the ſaid bill is amended accordingly.

The ſaid bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Halſey and Mr. Henry return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

Purſuant to the concurrent reſolutions of the Senate and Aſſembly of the 31ſt of March laſt, the Houſe proceeded openly to nominate a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, who has reſigned that appointment; and each member preſent openly nominated a perſon as follows, viz.

	Gouverneur Morris	Peter Ganlevoort	Thomas Morris
Mr. Adriance,		1	
Mr. Barker,		do	
Mr. Becker,	1		
Mr. Bill,	do		
Mr. Blake,		do	
Mr. Bogert,	do		
Mr. Bruyn,		do	
Mr. Burnet,		do	
Mr. Burt,		do	
Mr. Butler,	do		
Mr. Cantine,		do	
Mr. Clark,		do	
Mr. Colvin,		do	
Mr. Comb,	do		
Mr. Comstock,		do	
Mr. Conine,		do	
Mr. Denton,		do	
Mr. De Witt,		do	
Mr. Deitz,	do		
Mr. Doty,	do		
Mr. Emott,	do		
Mr. Everstson,	do		
Mr. Field,		do	
Mr. Floyd,		do	
Mr. Fort,	do		
Mr. Garnsey,	do		
Mr. A. Gilbert,		do	
Mr. E. Gilbert,	do		
Mr. Gilliland,	do		
Mr. Gray,	do		
Mr. Hall,	do		
Mr. Hallet,		do	
Mr. Halsey,		do	
Mr. Henry,	do		
Mr. Herkimer,	do		
Mr. Humfrey,		do	
Mr. Johnson,		do	
Mr. King,			1
Mr. Lamb,	do		
Mr. Landon,		do	
Mr. Livingston,	do		
Mr. Manley,	do		
Mr. Marvin,		do	
Mr. Masters,	do		
Mr. M'Cord,		do	
Mr. M'Intyre,		do	
Mr. M'Kinstry,	do		
Mr. M'Kown,	do		
Mr. Meyer,	do		
Mr. Mills,	do		
Mr. Montfort,		do	
Mr. Mott,		do	
Mr. Nicoll,	1		
Mr. Norton,	do		
Mr. Noyes,	do		
Mr. Oothout,	do		
Mr. Ostrom,	do		
Mr. Peck,		do	
Mr. Pettit,		do	
Mr. Post,	do		
Mr. Pratt,	do		
Mr. Riggs,	do		
Mr. Rockwell,	do		
Mr. Roseboom,		do	
Mr. Ryers,	do		
Mr. Sammons,		do	
Mr. Sargent,		do	
Mr. Savage,		do	
Mr. Schuneman,		do	
Mr. Schermerhorn,	do		
Mr. Sharpe,		do	
Mr. Sherred,	do		
Mr. Sherwood,		do	
Mr. Shurtleff,	do		
Mr. Skidmore,		do	
Mr. A. Smith,		do	
Mr. J. Smith,		do	
Mr. N. Smith,	do		
Mr. Snell,		do	
Mr. Stevens,	do		
Mr. Stillwell,	do		
Mr. Strong,	do		
Mr. Swartwout,	do		
Mr. Taber,		do	
Mr. Teed,	do		
Mr. Ten Broeck,		do	
Mr. Thomas,		do	
Mr. Thurman,		do	
Mr. Tibbits,	do		
Mr. Tinkham,	do		
Mr. Towner,	do		
Mr. Van Benthuysen,		do	
Mr. Van Rensselaer,	do		
Mr. Veeder,		do	
Mr. Verbryck,		do	
Mr. Warren,		do	
Mr. Watrous,		do	
Mr. Wattles,	do		
Mr. Williams,	do		
Mr. Williamson,	do		
Mr Winne,	do		
Mr. Wood.	do		
Mr. Woolsey.	do		
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Mr. Wood made a motion that the House should agree to a resolution in the words following, viz.

Resolved, That Gouverneur Morris be, and he is hereby nominated by this House a Senator to represent this State in the Senate of the Congress of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watson, who has resigned that appointment.

Mr. M'Cord made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to expunge the name "Gouverneur Morris" from the ſaid reſolution, and inſert the name of Peter Ganſevoort, junior; and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Snell, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Strong,	Mr. Woolſey. 58
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous. 45
Mr. Denton,			

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That Gouverneur Morris be, and he is hereby nominated by this Houſe a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, who has reſigned that appointment.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Kent, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the Senate will immediately meet the Hon. the Aſſembly at ſuch place as they ſhall appoint, to compare their nomination of a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, who has reſigned that appointment.

Reſolved, That this Houſe will immediately meet the Hon. the Senate in the Aſſembly chamber, to compare their nomination of a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, who has reſigned that appointment.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry and Mr. Herkimer deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Hon. the Senate accordingly attended in the Aſſembly chamber, and having withdrawn, Mr. Speaker informed the Houſe, that on comparing the reſpective nominations of the Senate and Aſſembly, they were found to agree in the name of Gouverneur Morris. Thereupon,

Reſolved, That Gouverneur Morris be, and he is hereby duly nominated and appointed, a Senator to repreſent this State in the Senate of the Congreſs of the United States, in the room of the Hon. James Watſon, who has reſigned that appointment.

Mr. Garnſey, from the committee to whom was referred the report of the Comptroller on the petition of John Livingſton, in behalf of himſelf and others, reported, that in the opinion of the committee the petitioners are entitled to relief, and that a clauſe ſhould be added to the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences."

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in ſuch clauſe.

Mr. Riggs, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act regulating the fees of auctioneers upon the ſale of real property," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments thereto, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read.

Thereupon, *Ordered*, That the ſaid bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing Warren Ferriſs to build a toll bridge acroſs Hudſon's river, at Glen's Falls, between the counties of Waſhington and Saratoga." The bill and amendments were read, one of the amendments is to alter the title; the altered title is, "An act to authoriſe the building of toll bridges over Hudſon's river;" and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were ſeverally concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkimer and Mr. Humfrey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Mr. Woolſey, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hardtwick," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe; and the bill ordered a third reading.

Mr. Evertſon, purſuant to leave heretofore given, brought in a bill, entitled "An act for the ſale of lands in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Meyer made a motion that the Houſe ſhould agree to a reſolution with recitals, which was read and agreed to by the Houſe, and is in the words following, viz.

Whereas Moſes Watkins, Wait Chatterton, James Gillmore, Aaron Thrall, and one hundred and fifty-two other perſons their aſſociates, have, by petition, repreſented to the Legiſlature, that they incline to form a ſettlement on a certain part of the unappropriated land in this State, ſituate to the weſtward of the inhabited part of the town of Jay, in the county of Eſſex. And whereas in the ſettlement of vacant lands, compact ſettlements by aſſociations of huſbandmen, are beſt calculated to ſucceed and to promote the intereſt of this State; Therefore,

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That the ſaid Moſes Watkins, Wait Chatterton, James Gillmore and Aaron Thrall, in behalf of themſelves and their aſſociates, have leave to locate one entire tract of land in the county aforeſaid, not exceeding ten miles ſquare, and to cauſe the ſame to be ſurveyed, at their proper expence, by the Surveyor-General of this State, or by ſuch deputy as he ſhall for that purpoſe appoint; and after ſuch ſurvey made, the ſaid Surveyor-General ſhall file a map thereof in the office of the Secretary of this State, and report to the Legiſlature at their next annual ſeſſion; and that the Legiſlature will thereupon make proviſion by law for the ſale of ſuch tract of land to the ſaid petitioners, provided that ſuch location ſhall not be made on any land already diſpoſed of by any exiſting law of this State, or ſet apart by the commiſſioners of the land-office for other purpoſes.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkimer and Mr. Humfrey deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Hathorn, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others," the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act further to continue the Treaſurer of this ſtate in office, paſſed the 15th of

February, 1800," the bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry and Mr. Herkimer deliver the ſaid three bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Hathorn, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act to divide the county of Onondaga," with the amendments therewith delivered, which were read and concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Herkimer and Mr. Humfrey deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in the amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government and other contingent expences," reported the proceedings of the committee to have been as follows, viz.

That a clauſe in the ſaid bill was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That a tax of upon each dollar of the valuation of the real and perſonal eſtates within this State, ſhall be raiſed, levied and collected in the preſent year, in the manner directed by the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," paſſed the firſt of April, 1799.

That Mr. Adriance made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to expunge the ſaid clauſe. That the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Adriance, ſeconded by Mr. Field, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Strong,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr Manley,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Winne,
Mr Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 54
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Reck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous. 46
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Mott,		

That Mr. Comſtock made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the act paſſed the 9th day of April, 1795, entitled "An act for the encouragement of ſchools," ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby revived; and that out of the annual revenue ariſing to this State from its ſtock and other funds, the ſum of dollars ſhall be annually appropriated for the

term of years from the paſſing of this act, for the purpoſes mentioned in the act hereby revived and amended.

And be it further enacted, That the Treaſurer of this State, ſhall, (on the warrant of the Comptroller) pay unto the ſeveral county Treaſurers in this State, on the day of in the year; and on the day of in each ſucceeding year, during the continuance of this act, their reſpective counties' proportion of the ſaid ſum of dollars, for the purpoſes mentioned in the ſaid act.

That the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. M'Intyre, ſeconded by Mr. Johnſon, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey. 51
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Taber,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer, 35
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. A. Smith,	

That Mr. Norton made a motion, that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the Treaſurer of this State be, and he is hereby authoriſed and required to pay to the perſon adminiſtering the government of this State; to the chancellor; to the chief juſtice and each of the other juſtices of the ſupreme court, in addition to the annual ſalaries now allowed to them by law from the firſt day of July laſt to the firſt day of July next, the ſame ſum which was allowed to thoſe officers reſpectively by a law of the laſt ſeſſion of the Legiſlature; and to the preſident of the Senate; the ſpeaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly; the members of the Legiſlature, and the officers belonging to each Houſe, for their attendance of the preſent ſeſſion, the ſame additional compenſation which was by law allowed to each of them at the laſt ſeſſion, and that each officer ſhall be allowed compenſation for travelling at the ſame rate as members of the Legiſlature are allowed.

That the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, ſeconded by Mr. Schuneman, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. King,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Woolsey.
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Swartwout,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnsey.	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Ryerss,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	

That a motion was then made by Mr. Gray, that the committee should agree to expunge the clause in the said bill appropriating an annual sum for the support of public schools; and that the question having been put thereon, it passed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Burt,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous.
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mills,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Ryerss,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolsey,
Mr. Floyd,			

That in proceeding to fill up the blanks in the said bill, a clause thereof was read, which provided for the annual salary to be allowed to the Surveyor-General, and a motion was made by Mr. Speaker, to fill the blank in the said clause with the words "*twelve hundred and fifty dollars*," and the question having been put thereon, it passed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Speaker, seconded by Mr. Evertson, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles, 59
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr, Sherred,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey. 25
Mr. Evertſon,			

Mr. Wood further reported that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauſes, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, nine o'clock, A. M. April 4th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act for preventing horſe racing," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Van Benthuyſen, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comb,	Mr Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Woolſey. 67
Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Hallet,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Livingſton,			13

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to prevent duelling," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Doty, ſeconded by Mr. Livingſton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr Winne,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Woolſey, 69
Mr. Gray,			

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williamſon, 22
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Swartwout,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend the act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Woolſey, ſeconded by Mr. Peck, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous, 52

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey, 39
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Teed,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act to prevent

frauds by mortgages, and for ſecuring the purchaſers of mortgaged eſtates," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Johnſon deliver the four laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences," was read the third time and re-committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hartdwick," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Humfrey and Mr. Johnſon deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

The bill entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Ontario," was read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

A petition of the poſſeſſors of certain lands in the town of Canaan, and of the perſons claiming to be proprietors of a patent called Mawighnank, praying that the Legiſlature will, by law, confirm certain meaſures entered into between the ſaid poſſeſſors and proprietors for ſettling the diſputes between them relative to the ſaid land, was read, and a motion was thereupon made by Mr. Schermerhorn, that leave be given to bring in a bill conformable to the prayer of the ſaid petition. Leave being given, Mr. Schermerhorn brought in the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for ſettling the diſputes and controverſies between the perſons claiming to be the proprietors of the patent called the Mawighnank, and the poſſeſſors of the land in the town of Canaan," which was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the ſaid bill, and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Evertſon, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Emott and Mr. Henry.

A petition of ſundry inhabitants of Kings county, was read and committed to the committee of the whole Houſe when on the bill to amend the act for regulating highways.

Five ſeveral petitions from inhabitants of the county of Weſtcheſter, praying a repeal of the act to amend the act to lay a duty on ſtrong liquors, and for the regulating inns and taverns, were ſeverally read and referred to Mr. A. Gilbert, Mr. Rockwell and Mr. Comb.

Mr. Wood, from the committee of the whole Houſe, on the bill entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences," reported, that in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. Meyer made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the treaſurer of this ſtate ſhall pay to the preſident of the ſenate, the ſpeaker of the aſſembly, and the members of the legiſlature, fifty cents per day for their attendance at the preſent ſeſſion, in addition to the compenſation allowed by the act entitled "An act for the ſupport of government." And that in addition to the annual ſalaries now allowed by virtue of the act aforeſaid, to the perſon adminiſtering the government of this ſtate there ſhall be allowed and paid by the ſaid treaſurer, the ſum of ſix hundred dollars; and to the chancellor, chief juſtice, and the other juſtices of the ſupreme court, five hundered dollars each, which additional allowance ſhall be computed from the firſt day of July laſt until the firſt day of July next.

That the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Humfrey, ſeconded by Mr. Schuneman, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Taber,	Mr. Woolſey. 57
Mr. Hallet,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. King,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Williamſon, 40

That Mr. Meyer then made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill, in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the treaſurer ſhall pay to each member of the ſenate and aſſembly, and their attendant officers, for travelling, at the rate of twenty miles per day, any law to the contrary notwithſtanding.

That the queſtion having been put, whether the committee did agree thereto, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Maſters, ſeconded by Mr. Livingſton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolſey. 55
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. N. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Williams. 40

Mr. Wood further reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added a proviſo and a clauſe thereto, altered the title to "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act for the ſale of certain lands in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Herkimer, Mr. King and Mr. Mills.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Watters," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Van Renſſelaer, Mr. Hallett and Mr. A Smith.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Boyd, Peter Coruth and others," and that the ſame be committed to the laſt mentioned ſelect committee.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Garnſey, Mr. King and Mr. Tinkham.

Mr. Herkimer, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the ſale of land in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named," reported, that the committee had gone through bill, and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Comſtock, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the benefit of the widow and orphan children of Peter R. Kiſſam, deceaſed," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, altered the title to "An act appointing truſtees of the eſtate of Peter R. Kiſſam, late of the city of New-York, deceaſed," and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the liberties of gaols," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Wood, Mr. Sharpe and Mr. Van Benthuyſen.

Mr. Williamſon, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſtcheſter to Byram," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments thereto and agreed to the ſame; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the bill and amendments in at the table, where they were again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the amendments be engroſſed.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the better extinguiſhing of fires in that part of the town of Watervliet therein mentioned," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Winne, Mr. Nicoll and Mr. Conine.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr, L'Hommedieu and Mr. Mathews the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga;" the bill,

entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme court."

Ordered, That Mr. Johnſon and Mr. King deliver the ſaid four bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

The bill, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſtcheſter to Byram," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Landon and Mr. Livingſton deliver the bill with the amendments to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill with the amendments therewith delivered.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate delivered by Mr. Mathews and J. Morris with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have concurred in the amendments of this Houſe to the bill, entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes," and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Landon and Mr. Livingſton return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the ſale of lands in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and other contingent expences," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. King and Mr. Manley deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

Mr. M'Intyre, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways," reported, That in proceeding in the ſaid bill, Mr. Ryerſs made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways," paſſed the 21ſt of March, 1797, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby repealed ſo far as it may relate to the county of Richmond. *And* that the fifth and ſixth ſections of this act ſhall not extend to, or in any wiſe operate in the ſaid county of Richmond, any thing to the contrary notwithſtanding.

That Mr. Savage made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to expunge from the ſaid clauſe the words "And that the fifth and ſixth ſections of this act ſhall not extend to or in any wiſe operate in the ſaid county of Richmond, any thing to the contrary notwithſtanding," and to inſert in lieu thereof the words "Provided that ſo much of this act and the act hereby amended as reſpects the conſtruction of waggons ſhall not extend to the counties of Weſtcheſter, Dutcheſs, Columbia, Renſſelaer and Waſhington."

That the queſtion having been put whether the committee did agree to the motion of Mr. Savage, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Savage, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Rigg,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Watrous.
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maryin,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne.
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolſey.
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,		

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For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	38
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Noyes,			

That Mr. Sharpe made a motion that the committee ſhould agree to add a clauſe to the bill in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That no road that has been in uſe for twenty years in the county of Kings ſhall be altered ſo as to diſturb any buildings, wells or fences erected adjoining ſuch roads, any law to the contrary notwithſtanding.

That the queſtion having been put on the ſaid clauſe, it paſſed in the negative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Sharpe, ſeconded by Mr. Van Benthuyſen, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Teed.	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred.	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williams,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Winne,	
Mr. Garnſey.	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Taber,	Mr. Woolſey.	54
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oothout,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. J. Smith,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wood,	31
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherwood,		

That in proceeding to fill up the blanks in the ſaid bill, a clauſe thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That after the firſt day of May, no waggon belonging to an inhabitant of this State, ſhall be uſed on any public highway that ſhall not be conſtructed agreeably to the thirty-firſt ſection of the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways."

That Mr. Ryerſs made a motion that the words *one thouſand eight hundred and ten* ſhould be inſerted in the ſaid blank.

That the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Livingſton, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherwood,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,	
Mr. Becker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. A. Smith,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,	40
Mr. Deitz,				

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr Winne,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Swartwout,	39

Mr. M'Intyre further reported, that the committee had gone through the ſaid bill, made amendments thereto, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Wood, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act to amend the act entitled "an act to regulate the liberties of gaols," reported, the committee had gone through the bill, expunged a clauſe thereof, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, aud delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Winne, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the better extinguiſhing fires in that part of the town of Watervliet therein mentioned," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Mr. Garnſey, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," reported that the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

The Houſe proceeded to take into conſideration the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill entitled "An act further to amend an act entitled "An act to regulate buildings in certain limits in the city of Albany." The bill and amendments were read and conſidered, and the amendments were again read and re-conſidered: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in their amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Livingſton and Mr. Manley deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, nine o'Clock, A. M. April 5th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act appointing truſtees of the eſtate of Peter R. Kiſſam, late of the city of New-York, deceaſed, was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for the better extinguiſhing fires in that part of the town of Watervliet therein mentioned," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for ſettling the diſputes and controverſies between the perſons claiming to be proprietors of a patent called Mawighnank and the poſſeſſors of the land in the town of Canaan," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act further to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate highways," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act for laying out and regulating the the liberties of gaols in the ſeveral counties of this State," was read the third time.

Mr. Riggs made a motion that the word "*ſix*," in the firſt clauſe of the ſaid bill, being the number of acres to be deſignated for the liberties of gaols ſhould be expunged, and the word "*three*" inſerted in lieu thereof.

That debates were had thereon, and the queſtion having been put, it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Riggs, ſeconded by Mr. Ryerſs, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr De Witt,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey, 66
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Norton,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Wattles, 24

The word "*ſix*" was thereupon expunged, and the word "*three*" inſerted in lieu thereof.

Mr. Speaker then put the queſtion, whether the bill ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Marvin and Mr. Maſters deliver the ſix laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bills reſpectively.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by his honor the Chancellor, was read, that it does not appear improper to the council that the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the payment of a ſum of money due on a contract made by the commiſſioners of fortifications, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a further ſum of money to finiſh the court houſe and gaol in the county of Schoharie, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money by tax to make alterations and repairs in the gaol of the city and county of Albany, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act for dividing the firſt ward of the city of Albany;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the ſtockholders of the New-York inſurance company;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act further to continue the Treaſurer of this State in office, paſſed the 15th of February, 1800;" the bill, entitled "An act for laying a road from Cherry-Valley to the outlet of the Skaneatelis lake;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Dean and others;" the bill, entitled

"An act to amend the act, entitled "An act to divide the county of Onondaga;" "the bill, entitled "An act relative to the courts of common pleas and general ſeſſions of the peace in the county of Renſſelaer;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme court;" the bill, entitled "An act to enable the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New-York to purchaſe certain houſes and lots of ground which are in ſuch a ſtate as to endanger the health of the ſaid city;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the ſalting, repacking and inſpection of beef and pork for exportation; the bill, entitled "An act to avoid unneceſſary delays of executions and to repeal the act therein mentioned," and the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from the ſprings in Lebanon to the city of Albany, and a like corporation for improving the road from the village of Bath to the Maſſachuſetts line, and for repealing the act therein mentioned," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Myers and Mr. Phelps, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; one of the ſaid amendments was to add a clauſe to the ſaid bill, directing the ſupervisors of the county of Columbia to raiſe by tax the ſum of 1500 dollars, to be paid to the chamberlain of the city of Hudſon, for the purpoſe of building a bridge over the Kinderhook creek.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in the ſaid amendment, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Tibbits, ſeconded by Mr. Emott, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. King,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Taber,	Mr. Woolſey. 50
Mr. Field,	Mr. Oothout,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Savage,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren. 39
Mr. Gray,			

The other amendment was alſo read, and agreed to by the Houſe. Thereupon

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their firſt amendment, and do not concur in their other amendment to the bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Maſters and Mr. M'Cord deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution, to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Myers and Mr. Phelps, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act relative to the commiſſioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were not concurred in by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do not concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Maſters and Mr. M'Cord deliver the bill, amendments and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "an act for the inſpection of flour and meal," the bill entitled "An act repealing part of the fourth ſection of the act entitled "an act to reduce the laws concerning coſts into one ſtatute," the bill entitled "An act requiring ſheriffs and coroners to deliver to the party chargeable therewith, a bill of fees prior to the commencing any action therefor," the bill entitled "An act to enable the chancellor for the time being to ſue and be ſued in chancery," the bill entitled "An act relative to the Oneida tribe of Indians," the bill entitled "An act directing the commiſſioners of the land-office reſpecting land warrants," the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation in the county of Orange," the bill entitled "An act relative to the collectors of taxes," the bill entitled "An act confirming certain acts of Ebenezer Wood, deputy ſheriff of Rockland county," the bill entitled "An act for the relief of William Feagan and Chriſtian Hartdwick," and the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mohawk turnpike and bridge company," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ſtate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Myers and Mr. Phelps, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to authoriſe the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned, by Mr. Myers and Mr. Phelps, the bill entitled "An act to authorize the building of toll bridges over Hudſon's river."

Ordered, That Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. M'Kinſtry deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Phelps and Mr. Ruſſel, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Intyre and Mr. M'Kinſtry deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Phelps and Mr. Ruſſel, with the bill, amendments, and a copy of the reſolution therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their firſt, third and laſt amendments, and do not concur in their other amendments to the ſaid bill.

The bill and amendments were read and conſidered, and the amendments were read and re-conſidered. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the conſideration of the ſaid amendments be poſtponed until Monday next.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Ontario," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Norton, Mr. Williamſon and Mr. Towner.

Mr. Dietz, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from ſundry inhabitants of the city of Albany, reported in favour of the petitioners, and obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act further to alter the charter of the city of Albany, and for other purpoſes," which was read the firſt time, and ordered a ſecond reading.

Mr. Norton, from the ſelect committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Ontario," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the ſame without amendment, which he was directed to report to the Houſe; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the Houſe. By unanimous conſent the bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Meyer and Mr. Mills deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this House have passed the bill without amendment.

Mr. Sammons made a motion that the House should agree to a resolution, which was read, and agreed to by the House, and is in the words following, viz.

Resolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the trustees of the Reformed Lutheran and Protestant Dutch church in Kingsborough, in the town of Johnstown, and county of Montgomery, have leave to present to either House of the Legislature, at their next meeting, a bill to invest them and their successors with the right, title and interest of the People of this State to a certain glebe lot in said town, set apart by Sir William Johnson for the use of a church and school, and which became forfeited by the attainder of Sir John Johnson, and has not been sold by the commissioners of forfeitures, upon their publishing a copy of their petition to the Legislature at the present session, and of this resolution, once a week, for six weeks successively, in the newspaper printed in Johnstown, to the intent that all parties interested may appear, and shew cause, if any they have, why such bill should not pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Montfort and Mr. Mott deliver a copy of the preceding resolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A message from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Russell and Mr. Van Schoonhoven, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do recede from their amendments to the bill entitled "An act relative to the commissioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," and have passed the bill without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Montfort and Mr. Mott deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Revision.

Mr. Van Rensselaer made a motion that the House should resolve itself into a committee of the whole House on the bill entitled "An act to compel submission to the judicial authority of this state, and for other purposes."

Mr. Speaker put the question on the said motion, and it passed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Van Rensselaer, seconded by Mr. Bill, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wattles. 41
Mr. Emott,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. King,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Comb,	Mr Manley,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolsey. 36
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,	

Mr. Comstock, from the committee of the whole House, on the bill entitled "An act to establish a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Kingsbridge, at the city of New-York, to the ferry opposite to the city of Albany, through the village of Poughkeepsie," reported, that in proceeding in the said bill, a clause thereof was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Be it enacted by the people of the ſtate of New-York, repreſented in Senate and Aſſembly, That and all ſuch perſons as ſhall aſſociate for the purpoſe of making a good and ſufficient road from Kingſbridge, at the city of New-York, through the village of Poughkeepſie and the city of Hudſon, to run on the eaſt ſide and parallel with the river Hudſon, to the ferry oppoſite the city of Albany, ſhall be, and are hereby created and made a corporation and body politic, in fact and in name, by the name of "The Preſident, Directors and Company of the Hudſon River Turnpike Road," and the ſaid corporation ſhall, by that name, be capable in law, to purchaſe, have, hold, enjoy and retain to them and their ſuceſſors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels and effects of every kind whatſoever, and the ſame or any part thereof, to ſell, grant, remiſe, alienate or diſpoſe of, to ſue and be ſued, to plead and be impleaded, to anſwer and be anſwered unto, defend and be defended, in all courts of record, or any other place whatſoever: Provided, That the lands ſo to be purchaſed as aforeſaid, ſhall be ſuch only as may be neceſſary to carry into effect the object, and ſhall not exceed the ſum of ten thouſand dollars.

That a motion was made that the committee ſhould agree to expunge from the ſaid clauſe the words "and city of Hudſon." That the queſtion having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Emott, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr Floyd,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Speaker,	Mr. Woolſey. 54
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Norton,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Wood. 15
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Taber,	

That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, expunged from the title the words "and city of Hudſon," and agreed to the ſame, which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That the bill be engroſſed.

Then the Houſe adjourned until five o'clock this afternoon.

5 o'Clock, P. M.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Sanger and Mr. Savage, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to amend the acts upon the ſubject of the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga," to which they requeſt the concurrence of this Houſe. The ſaid bill was read the firſt time, and by unanimous conſent, was alſo read the ſecond time, and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

Mr. Everſon, from the committee of the whole Houſe on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridge, Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," reported, That after the committee had gone through the bill, and made amendments thereto, the queſtion was put, whether the committee did agree to the ſaid bill, and it was carried in the affirmative.

That the yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Woolsey, seconded by Mr. Schuneman, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Post,	Mr. J. Smith,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. N. Smith,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Speaker,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Stevens,	
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Floyd,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Winne,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wood,	45
Mr. Hallett,				

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williamson,	
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Woolsey.	32

Which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed.

At 8 o'clock, P. M. Mr. Comstock made a motion that the House should adjourn. And the question having been put thereon, it passed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Ryers, seconded by Mr. Field, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. King,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Everetson,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,	
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Williamson,	
Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Winne,	
Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Woolley.	39
Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Stevens,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Garnsey.	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,	35
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Snell,		

Mr. Van Rensselaer, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Boyd, Peter Coruth and others," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and the consideration thereof postponed until Monday next.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of James and Nancy Watters," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, made amendments, added clauses, and agreed to the same, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and the consideration thereof postponed until Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Monday, nine o'Clock, A. M. April 7th, 1800.

The engroſſed bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Kingſbridge, at the city of New-York, to the ferry oppoſite the city of Albany, through the village of Poughkeepſie," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Mills and Mr. Montfort deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridge, Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," with the engroſſed amendments, was read the third time.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the bill, with the amendments, ſhould paſs, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Woolſey, ſeconded by Mr. Herkimer, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Winne.
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood, 38
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Noyes,		

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Teed,	Mr. Woolſey, 20

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Mills and Mr. Montfort deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill, with the amendments therewith delivered.

The bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "an act further to alter the charter of the city of Albany, and for other purpoſes," was read the ſecond time and committed to a committee of the whole Houſe.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of their amendments to the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſt-Cheſter to Byram," which were not concurred in by the Hon. the Senate. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been again read, Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do recede from their ſecond amendment, and do adhere to their other amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Montfort and Mr. Mott deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution, to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Savage and Mr. Schenck, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do adhere to their amendments to the bill entitled "An act further to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate buildings in certain limits of the city of Albany." The bill and amendments were read and conſidered, and the amendments having been read and re-conſidered, Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do recede from their reſolution of non-concurrence, and do concur in the ſaid amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Mott and Mr. Nicoll deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that the bill is amended purſuant to their amendments.

Mr. Riggs moved for, and obtained the unanimous conſent of the Houſe to bring a bill, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme and circuit courts," which

was read the first time, and by unanimous consent was also read the second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the said last mentioned bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Riggs, Mr. Henry and Mr. Evertson.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice," and that the same be committed to a select committee consisting of Mr. Meyer, Mr. Masters and Mr. Van Rensselaer.

Mr. Riggs, from the select committee to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act concerning the supreme and circuit courts," reported, That the committee had gone through the bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, which he was directed to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and delivered the same in at the table, where it was again read, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed.

A message from the Senate, delivered by Mr. Schenck and Mr. Spencer, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have concurred in the amendments of this House to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridge, Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," and have amended the bill accordingly. The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Nicoll and Mr. Norton return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Schenck and Mr. Spencer, the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate buildings in certain limits in the city of Albany."

Ordered, That Mr. Pettit and Mr. Peck deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Revision.

A copy of a resolution of the Hon. the Senate, also delivered by Mr. Schenck and Mr. Spencer, was read, That the Senate do concur with this House in their resolution of the 5th inst. granting leave to the trustees of the Reformed Lutheran and Protestant Dutch Church in Kingsborough, in the town of Johnstown and county of Montgomery, to present a bill to either House, at the next session, for granting to them certain lands in the said resolution mentioned.

A message from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Strong and Mr. Suffern, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have passed the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purposes," with the amendments therein mentioned. The bill and amendments were read. The first of the said amendments was to expunge the words "*one thousand*," in the clause providing an annual salary for the Surveyor-General, and inserting in lieu thereof "*twelve hundred and fifty*." Mr. Speaker put the question whether the House did concur in the said amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Gray, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative,

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Garnsey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Van Benthuysen,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. King,	Mr. Ostrom,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Post,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Williamson,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr Winne,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Everton,	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolsey.
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. N. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Warren,	27
Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,		

Another of the ſaid amendments was to expunge a clauſe in the ſaid bill, reviving the act for the encouragement of ſchools, and appropriating 50,000 dollars annually for the ſupport of public ſchools.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, ſeconded by Mr. Denton, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. N. Smith,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,	
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Watrous,	
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Williamſon,	
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Winne,	42
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Norton,			

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stillwell,	
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr E. Gilbert,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Tibbits,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comb,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wood,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey,	41
Mr. Doty,				

Some of the other amendments were alſo read and concurred in, and others not concurred in, and the further conſideration of the ſaid amendments was poſtponed till this afternoon.

The Houſe proceeded to the conſideration of the report of the ſelect committee on the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Boyd, Peter Coruth and others." Mr. Speaker put the queſtion whether the Houſe did agree with the committee in their ſaid report, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Poſt, ſeconded by Mr. Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Taber,	
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Garnſey.	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck.	Mr. Thomas,	
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thurman,	
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. King,	Mr. Roſeboom,	Mr. Tinkham,	
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,	
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,	
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Veeder,	
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,	
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Warren,	
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Watrous,	37
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Snell,		

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Koun,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Pott,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed.
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Rigge,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Ryerſs,	Mr. Van Renſelaer,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Woolſey. 40

The engroſſed bill, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme and circuit courts," was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Everſon and Mr. Field deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and requeſt their concurrence to the ſaid bill.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Suffern and Mr. Ten Eyck, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have receded from their reſolution of non-concurrence in the amendments of this Houſe to the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſt-Cheſter to Byram," and have amended the bill purſuant to the amendments of this Houſe concurred in by the Hon. the Senate.

The amended bill having been examined,

Ordered, That Mr. Oſtrom and Mr. Peck return the bill to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Benſon, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act to authorize the raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Oneida," the bill entitled "An act to authorize the building of toll bridges over Hudſon's river," the bill entitled "An act relative to Oxford academy," the bill entitled "An act relative to the commiſſioners of taxes in the county of Tioga," the bill entitled "An act for ſettling the diſputes and controverſies between the perſons claiming to be proprietors of a patent called Mawighnank, and the poſſeſſors of the land in the town of Canaan," and the bill entitled "An act further to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate buildings in certain limits in the city of Albany," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ſtate.

Mr. Pratt, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Roſſetter and others, reported, that there are no facts come to their knowledge but what are contained in the petition and documents accompanying the ſame, and thoſe appear moſtly founded on ſuſpicion. The committee, therefore, are of opinion, that if there are any young perſons unlawfully confined, the laws of the ſtate are competent to afford them relief, and to bring the offenders to juſtice.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do agree with the committee in their ſaid report.

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock this afternoon.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompſon, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act for the ſale of lands in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Peck and Mr. Pettit deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompſon, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Senate and Aſſembly will reſcind their reſolution for adjourning this day, and that they will adjourn to-morrow.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Oſtrom and Mr. Peck deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Thompſon, with the bills therein reſpectively mentioned, were read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act entitled "an act to amend an act entitled "an act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," and the the bill entitled "An act to regulate the ſtate priſon ware-houſe," ſeverally without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Pettit and Mr. Poſt deliver the bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act for raiſing a ſum of money to build a gaol in the county of Ontario," and the bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Oneida, Stockbridge, Brothertown and Shinnecock Indians," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ſtate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Vail and Mr. Van Schoonhoven, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, were read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill entitled "An act to enable certain perſons to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this ſtate," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were ſeverally concurred in by the Houſe, and bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Poſt and Mr. Pratt deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and that the ſame is amended accordingly.

The Houſe proceeded to the further conſideration of the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes." One of the ſaid amendments was to expunge the fourth clauſe of the bill, which clauſe is in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the Treaſurer ſhall pay to each member of the Senate and Aſſembly, and their attendant officers, for travelling, at the rate of twenty miles per day, any law to the contrary notwithſtanding.

And to inſert in lieu thereof the following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That from the firſt day of July laſt to the firſt day of July next, there ſhall be allowed to the ſeveral officers of government, in addition to the annual ſalaries now allowed to them and each of them reſpectively, in and by the act entitled "An act for the ſupport of government," the following ſums, to wit: to the Chancellor, the ſum of ſix hundred and twenty-five dollars; to the Chief Juſtice, and to each of the other judges of the ſupreme court, the ſum of ſix hundred and twenty-five dollars; and for the preſent ſeſſion of the Legiſlature, in addition to the ſums allowed in and by the act entitled "An act for the better ſupport of government," to the Preſident of the Senate and the Speaker of the Houſe of Aſſembly, the ſum of one dollar and twenty-five cents a day for each day's attendance in their reſpective ſtations; and to each member of the Senate and Aſſembly, the ſum of ſeventy-five cents a day for each day's attendance in the Legiſlature; and to each of the attendant officers on the Legiſlature, for travelling, at the rate of twenty miles per day, at the rates allowed them by this or any former act.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in the ſaid amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, ſeconded by Mr. Sharpe, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Ryerſs,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Schermerhorn,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Woolſey. 51
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Pratt,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Snell,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Roseboom,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Taber,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Teed,	Mr. Winne, 45
Mr. Henry,			

A motion was made, that the House should reconsider their decision as to the amendment of the Hon. the Senate, for expunging the two last clauses of the bill relative to reviving the school act; and the question having been put thereon, it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker put the question, whether the House did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their said amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Schuneman, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr Adriance,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr Blake,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Comine,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Rensselaer,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Masters,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Doty.	Mr. M'Kinstry,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Woolsey. 51
Mr. Evertson,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. J. Smith,	

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Halsey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comstock,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Field,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Winne, 31
Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Orrom,	Mr. Shurtleff,	

Another of the said amendments was to add two clauses to the said bill, in the words following, viz.

And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Comptroller, the Attorney-General and Surveyor-General of this state, or any two of them, in all cases where it shall appear to them that lands, not forfeited to the people of this state, have been improperly sold under the authority of the same, to compromise, extinguish and settle all claims and demands of any purchaser or purchasers, his or their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, by reason of such sale or sales, against the people of this state; and that it shall and may be lawful for the Comptroller to draw his warrant on the treasury for the sum or sums that shall or may be agreed to be paid for the purposes aforesaid, to be paid out of any unappropriated monies in the Treasury.

And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer shall pay such sums as shall be certified by the Comptroller to be now due, or hereafter to become due, to the Attorney-General, the Surveyor-General and the Comptroller, or to either of them, for the costs, expences and disbursements, by them or any of them incurred, or to be incurred and paid, in and about the execution of the trusts hereby reposed in them, and in and about the execution of the trusts reposed in them in and by the last section of the act entitled "An act for the relief of the purchasers of certain lands in the fourth allotment of the Royal Grant, and for other purposes," passed 31st March, 1798. Provided such sum or sums shall not exceed the annual sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Adriance, ſeconded by Mr. M'Cord, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sargeant,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr Winne,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Taber,	Mr. Woolſey. 45
Mr. Hall,			

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallett,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. N. Smith,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr Sharpe,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Wood 37
Mr. Field,			

The other amendments were alſo read; ſome were concurred in, and others not concurred in by the Houſe: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in ſuch of their amendments as are for that purpoſe deſignated in the margin of the ſaid amendments, and do not concur in their other amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Pettit and Mr. Poſt deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Then the Houſe adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Tueſday, nine o'Clock, A. M. April 8th, 1800.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Van Vechten, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have receded from ſuch of their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," as were not concurred in by this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Poſt and Mr. Riggs deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that the bill is amended purſuant to the amendments of the Hon. the Senate, concurred in by this Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Schoonhoven and Mr. Van Vechten, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read; the firſt of the ſaid amendments was to expunge from the firſt ſection the following, viz. "The aſſeſſors in each town and ward in this State ſhall make ſuch alteration in the valuation of the real eſtates, by adding to, or deducting from each of them, ſuch ſums as ſhall appear to them to be juſt and equitable, and neceſſary to equalize the tax upon the real eſtates within their reſpective towns or wards, ſubject however, on appeal, to the reviſion and final correction of the commiſſioners of taxes of ſuch county; and ſhall ſet down in one column in their aſſeſſment roll, and oppoſite to the name of the poſſeſſor thereof, the juſt and true value of all houſes and lands in ſuch town or ward, liable by law to be taxed; and where any ſuch houſes or lands are not oc-

cupied, the aſſeſſor ſhall ſet down the name of the owner or ſuppoſed owner as the poſſeſſor thereof. Provided that in equalizing as aforeſaid, the aſſeſſors ſhall not leſſen the agregate or groſs amount of the valuation made under the authority of the United States."

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the Houſe did concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid amendment, and it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Maſters, ſeconded by Mr. Adriance, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Deitz,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Doty,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. J. Smith,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Winne. 56

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Bill,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Woolſey. 35
Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Stillwell,	

The other of the ſaid amendments were alſo read; ſome were concurred in, and others not concurred in: Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſecond amendment, and do not concur in their other amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver the bill, amendments and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Van Shoonhoven and Mr. Van Vechten, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That the Regents of the Univerſity be requeſted to report to the Legiſlature, at their next ſeſſion, whether any, and if any, what appropriations ought to be made by the Legiſlature, to the reſpective academies under their ſuperintendance.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Senate, delivered by Mr. Van Vechten and Mr. Beekman, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entled "An act authoriſing the truſtees of the village of Lanſingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned," without amendment.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Van Vechten and Mr. Beeckman, the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes."

Ordered, That Mr. Rockwell and Mr. Roſeboom deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Beeckman and Mr. Bloom the bill, en-

titled "An act concerning the ſupreme and circuit courts, and for other purpoſes," and the bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State."

Ordered, That Mr. Rockwell and Mr. Roſeboom deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Bronk and Mr. Cantine, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to regulate the culling of ſtaves and heading," with the amendments therewith delivered. The bill and amendments were read, and the amendments having been read the ſecond time, were concurred in by the Houſe, and the bill amended accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have concurred in their amendments to the bill, and have amended the ſame accordingly.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Bronk and Mr. Cantine, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act appointing truſtees of the eſtate of Peter R. Kiſſam, late of the city of New-York, deceaſed," without amendment.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clark and Mr. Clinton, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate have paſſed the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond," without amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. Rockwell and Mr. Roſeboom deliver the two laſt mentioned bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole Houſe be diſcharged from the further conſideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend the acts upon the ſubject of the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga," and that the ſame be committed to a ſelect committee conſiſting of Mr. Butler, Mr. Wood and Mr. Halſey.

Mr. Meyer, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame; which report was agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Mr. Butler, from the ſelect committee, to whom was committed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the acts on the ſubject of the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga," reported, that the committee had gone through the bill and agreed to the ſame without amendment; which he was directed to report to the Houſe, and he read the report in his place, and delivered the ſame in at the table, where it was again read and agreed to by the Houſe.

By unanimous conſent the ſaid bill was read the third time.

Reſolved, That the bill do paſs.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have paſſed the bill without amendment.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein,) That the Secretary of this State be, and he is hereby directed to make out a liſt of the titles of the ſeveral acts of the Legiſlature, paſſed this preſent ſeſſion, and deliver the ſame to the printer of this State in order that the ſame may be printed for the uſe of the members.

Ordered, That Mr. Sammons and Mr. Sargent deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clinton and Mr, Coles, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That the Surveyor-General be, and he is hereby authorized to receive propoſals from any perſon or perſons who

may be in the poſſeſſion and improvement of any of the unappropriated lands belonging to the people of this State for the purchaſe of any ſuch land; and the ſaid Surveyor-General ſhall thereupon report ſuch propoſals to the Legiſlature, together with ſome proper plan or ſyſtem for the ſale of the ſame lands.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Clinton and Mr. Coles, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein,) That the Surveyor-General be, and he is hereby directed to aſcertain and report to the Legiſlature, at their next ſeſſion, the beſt courſe for a State road to be laid out from the *Oliout*, in the county of Delaware to the weſtern boundary of Steuben county, at the expence of the parties who may apply to him therefor.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Riggs and Mr. Rockwell deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Clinton and Mr. Coles, was read, that the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſolution of this day's date, relative to cauſing the titles of the acts paſſed at the preſent ſeſſion of the Legiſlature to be printed.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Frey and Mr. Gettman, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do recede from their amendments to the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," which were not concurred in by this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Sargent and Mr. Savage deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that this Houſe have amended the bill purſuant to the amendments of the Hon. the Senate, which were concurred in by this Houſe.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, alſo delivered by Mr. Frey and Mr. Gettman, with the bill therein mentioned, was read, that the Senate do adhere to their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," which were not concurred in by this Houſe.

Mr. Savage made a motion that the Houſe ſhould recede from their reſolution of non-concurrence in the ſaid amendments; and the queſtion having been put thereon, it paſſed in the negative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Burt, ſeconded by Mr. Field, and were as follows, viz.

For the Negative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Field,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. A. Smith,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Emott,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Winne. 44

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. King,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Evertſon,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Shurtleff,	Mr. Woolſey. 41
Mr. Gray,			

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That a conference be held with the Hon. the Senate this afternoon at four o'clock, at ſuch place as they ſhall appoint, on their amendments to the bill entitled "An act to explain and amend the act entitled "an act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," which were not concurred in by this Houſe; and that Mr. Comſtock, Mr. Peck and Mr. Maſters be a committee to manage the ſaid conference on the part of this Houſe.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, the bill entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," and the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady, and for other purpoſes."

Ordered, That Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Skidmore deliver the ſaid two bills to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Graham and Mr. Haight, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Legiſlature (when they adjourn) will adjourn to meet on the firſt Tueſday of November next, at the city of Albany.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Schermerhorn and Mr. Sharpe deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, That it does not appear improper to the Council, That the bill, entitled "An act to enable certain perſons therein named to purchaſe and hold real eſtates within this State;" the bill, entitled "An act concerning the ſupreme court and circuit court, and for other purpoſes;" the bill, entitled "An act appointing truſtees of the eſtate of Peter R. Kiſſam, late of the city of New-York, deceaſed;" the bill, entitled "An act for the ſale of lands in the Oneida reſervation to perſons therein named;" the bill, entitled "An act authoriſing the truſtees of the village of Lanſingburgh to hold lands in the town of Troy, and for other purpoſes therein mentioned;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to raiſe a fund for defraying the damages done by dogs in the county of Richmond;" the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the State-priſon ware-houſe," and the bill, entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act, entitled "An act to provide againſt infectious and peſtilential diſeaſes," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this State.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Haight and Mr. Hatfield, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, That the Senate will meet the Hon. the Aſſembly at four of the clock in the afternoon, in the Aſſembly Chamber, to hold the conference propoſed on the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," which were not concurred in by the Hon. the Aſſembly, and adhered to on the part of the Senate; and that Mr. Spencer, Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gold be of the ſaid committee on the part of the Senate.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

In COUNCIL *of* REVISION, *April 8th*, 1800.

The Council object to the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," becoming a law of this State.

Becauſe the allowance thereby granted to the Chancellor and Judges of the Supreme Court, in addition to the permanent ſalaries, is temporary only.

Notwithſtanding the fluctuations in the Legiſlative proviſions for the ſalaries of thoſe officers, and however embarraſſing and impreſſive may have been the circumſtances which have cauſed the temporary changes alluded to, yet the Council find it to be their duty to remind the Legiſlature of thoſe principles of the conſtitution, and thoſe great maxims relative to the independence of the judiciary department, which general experience has proved to be eſſential to the public good.

The Council are ſenſible that it is a matter entirely of Legiſlative diſcretion to determine and fix the adequate compenſation to the Chancellor and Judges, but when the Legiſlature has exerciſed its diſcretion, and aſcertained the compenſation, the reaſon of the conſtitution then applies, and requires ſuch compenſation to be permanently eſtabliſhed.

By ordaining that the Chancellor and Judges ſhould hold their offices during good behaviour, the conſtitution evidently intended to make them independent; but that intention will be greatly fruſtrated, and the tenure of their offices eſſentially affected, if they are to depend either in the whole, or in part, for their neceſſary ſupport upon the annual pleaſure of a ſingle branch of the Legiſlature. Whatever compenſation, therefore, in addition to that allowed by the act of the 11th of April, 1792, is deemed requiſite, (and the bill is itſelf evidence of the ſenſe of the Legiſlature that the allowance in that act is incompetent) ought to be equally permanent, as being equally within the reaſon of that law.

It is proper that thoſe perſons who may, from time to time, be called to renounce the lucrative purſuits of private buſineſs, and to devote the beſt part of their lives excluſively to the public ſervice, may know, with reaſonable certainty, upon what to depend; and their requiſite independence, as intended by the conſtitution, can only reſult from a permanent proviſion for their ſupport, and from a permanent tenure in their offices.

The bill, therefore, by determining what the compenſation to the Chancellor and Judges ought to be, and by making the ſame temporary only, is inconſiſtent with the ſpirit of the conſtitution, as well as with the obvious dictates of the public good.

JOHN JAY.

The Houſe having conſidered the ſaid objections, and reconſidered the ſaid bill, Mr. Speaker put the queſtion whether the ſaid bill, notwithſtanding the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion thereto, ſhould become a law of this State; and whilſt the yeas and nays were taking on the ſaid queſtion, Mr. Wood made a motion that the Houſe ſhould adjourn.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion on the motion of Mr. Wood, and it was carried in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Henry, ſeconded by Mr. Ryers, and were as follows, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Stillwell,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Doty,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Teed,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Burnet,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Noyes,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Humfrey,	Mr. Sherwood,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Skidmore,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Wood,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. N. Smith,	Mr. Woolſey. 48

For the Negative.

Mr. Becker,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Herkimer,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. King,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Swartwout,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. E. Gilbert,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Ryerſ,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sherred,	Mr. Williamſon, 42
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mills,		

Then the Houſe adjourned until four o'clock this afternoon.

4 o'Clock, P. M.

It being the hour agreed upon by concurrent reſolutions of both Houſes for holding a conference on the amendments of the Hon. the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," which were not concurred in by this Houſe, and adhered to on the part of the Hon. the Senate, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and with the Houſe attended the Hon. the Senate in the Aſſembly Chamber, and the ſaid conference being ended, Mr. Speaker reſumed the chair, and reported to the Houſe that a conference had been held in the preſence of both Houſes on the amendments propoſed by the Hon. the Senate to the ſaid bill.

The Houſe having reconſidered the ſaid bill and amendments, Thereupon,

Reſolved, That this Houſe do adhere to their reſolution of non-concurrence in the firſt amendment, and do recede from their reſolution of non-concurrence in the other amendments to the ſaid bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Woolſey and Mr. Adriance deliver the bill, amendments, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

The Houſe reſumed the conſideration of the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion to the bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," as entered on the Journals of this day.

Mr. Speaker put the queſtion, whether the ſaid bill, notwithſtanding the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion to the ſame, ſhall be a law of this State, and it was carried by two-thirds of the members preſent in the affirmative in the manner following, viz.

For the Affirmative.

Mr. Adriance,	Mr. Emott,	Mr. M'Cord,	Mr. Sherred,
Mr. Barker,	Mr. Field,	Mr. M'Kinſtry,	Mr. Sherwood,
Mr. Becker,	Mr. Fort,	Mr. M'Kown,	Mr. Shurtleff,
Mr. Bill,	Mr. Garnſey,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Skidmore,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. A. Gilbert,	Mr. Mills,	Mr. Snell,
Mr. Bruyn,	Mr E. Gilbert,	Mr. Montfort,	Mr. Taber,
Mr. Burt,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mott,	Mr. Ten Broeck,
Mr. Butler,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Nicoll,	Mr. Tinkham,
Mr. Cantine,	Mr. Hallet,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Towner,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Halſey,	Mr. Oſtrom,	Mr Van Benthuyſen,
Mr. Colvin,	Mr. Herkemer,	Mr. Poſt,	Mr. Veeder,
Mr. Comb,	Mr. Johnſon,	Mr. Rockwell,	Mr. Verbryck,
Mr. Comſtock,	Mr. King,	Mr. Sammons,	Mr. Warren,
Mr. Conine,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Watrous,
Mr. Denton,	Mr. Livingſton,	Mr. Savage,	Mr. Wattles,
Mr. De Witt,	Mr. Manley,	Mr. Schuneman,	Mr. Williamſon,
Mr. Deitz,	Mr. Marvin,	Mr. Schermerhorn,	Mr. Winne,
Mr. Doty,	Mr. Maſters,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Wood, 72

For the Negative.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. M'Intyre,	Mr. Ryers,	Mr. Thurman,
Mr. Everſon,	Mr. Oothout,	Mr. J. Smith,	Mr. Tibbits,
Mr. Gilliland,	Mr. Peck,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Van Renſſelaer,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. Pettit,	Mr. Swartwout,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Humtrey,	Mr. Pratt,	Mr. Teed,	Mr. Woolſey, 23
Mr. Landon,	Mr. Riggs,	Mr. Thomas,	

Thereupon, *Reſolved*, That the ſaid bill, entitled "An act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," notwithſtanding the objections of the Hon. the Council of Reviſion to the ſame, be a law of this State.

Ordered, That Mr. Thomas and Mr. Thurman deliver the ſaid bill and objections, and a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate,

A meſſage from the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, with the bill and amendments therein mentioned, was read, That the Senate do recede from their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," which was not concurred in by this Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. Woolſey and Mr. Adriance deliver the bill to the Hon. the Senate, and inform them that the bill is amended purſuant to the amendments of the Hon. the Senate concurred in by this Houſe.

The Hon. the Senate returned by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, the bill, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes."

Ordered, That Mr. Woolſey and Mr. Adriance deliver the bill to the Hon. the Council of Reviſion.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hatfield and Mr. Hathorn, was read, and is in the words following, viz.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Aſſembly concur herein) That the Secretary of this State be and he is hereby directed, without delay, to cauſe to be printed one thouſand five hundred copies of the act, entitled "An act to explain and amend the act, entitled "An act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," and of the clauſe of the "act for the payment of certain officers of government, and for other purpoſes," impoſing a State tax, and cauſe the ſame to be delivered to the commiſſioners of taxes in the ſeveral counties in this State, to be by them diſtributed to the reſpective towns therin, and the Legiſlature will provide for the expences in the premiſes.

Reſolved, That this Houſe do concur with the Hon. the Senate in their ſaid preceding reſolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Barker and Mr. Becker deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution of concurrence to the Hon. the Senate.

Two ſeveral meſſages from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, tranſmitted to this Houſe by the Hon. the Senate, were read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act ſupplementary to the act entitled "an act for the relief of John Porteous and Alexander Ellice," the bill entitled "An act to amend the acts upon the ſubject of the ſalt ſprings in the county of Onondaga," the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Solomon Simſon and Henry Remſen," and the bill entitled "An act to eſtabliſh a turnpike corporation for improving the road from Eaſt-Cheſter to Byram," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ſtate.

Reſolved, (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the clerks of the Senate and Aſſembly reſpectively make an index to the journals of the two Houſes of the laſt and preſent ſeſſion, and that the Comptroller audit and allow their accounts for the ſame, and that the Legiſlature will make proviſion by law in the premiſes.

Ordered, That Mr. Adriance and Mr. Barker deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

A copy of a reſolution of the Hon. the Senate, delivered by Mr. Hathorn and Mr. Kent, was read, that the Senate do concur with this Houſe in their reſolution of this day, directing the clerks of the two Houſes reſpectively to make an index to the journals of the laſt and preſent ſeſſion.

A meſſage from the Hon. the Council of Reviſion, delivered by the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Kent, was read, that it does not appear improper to the Council that the bill entitled "An act altering the time of holding town-meetings in the town of Thurman, in the county of Waſhington, and to alter the name of the town of Suffrage, in the county of Otſego," the bill entitled "An act for the relief of George Hunter," the bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate the culling

of ſtaves and heading," the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Elijah Cady," and the bill entitled "An act to explain and amend the act entitled "an act for the aſſeſſment and collection of taxes," ſhould ſeverally become laws of this ſtate.

Ordered, That Mr. Bill and Mr. Blake wait on his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the Legiſlature will immediately adjourn, unleſs his Excellency has further buſineſs of importance to communicate.

Mr. Bill reported, that purſuant to the order of the Houſe, Mr. Blake and himſelf had waited on his Excellency the Governor with the meſſage from this Houſe, and that his Excellency had been pleaſed to ſay, he had no further buſineſs to lay before the Legiſlature.

Reſolved (if the Hon. the Senate concur herein) That the Legiſlature will immediately adjourn.

Ordered, That Mr. Bogert and Mr. Bruyn deliver a copy of the preceding reſolution to the Hon. the Senate.

Purſuant to concurrent reſolutions of the Senate and Aſſembly, the Houſe adjourned to meet again at the city of Albany on the firſt Tueſday of November next, unleſs ſooner convened by his Excellency the Governor, or perſon adminiſtering the government of this ſtate for the time being.

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